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Little Pub alters policy to allow underclassmen

By Ilko Menkov '00
NEWS STAFF WRITER

In a campus-wide e-mail, the Student Assembly announced changes in Little Pub policy concerning underclassmen that will go into effect this weekend.

"On Friday and Saturday nights the Pub will now be open to all members of the community," wrote Andy Cook '99. In addition, the Pub will have to follow "fire hazard, maximum capacity, and underage drinking guidelines" more strictly.

About ten days ago, Cook and Tim Fazio '99, chairs of the Pub Committee, read in the *Daily Bull* that the Pub would be 21 and over on Fridays and Saturdays. They wondered what was going on, but no one seemed to be able to give them an acceptable explanation. Then they set up a meeting with Betsy Espe, Director of Auxiliary and Contract Services; Joe Cappa, General Manager of Bon Appetit; and Chad Marshall, the Pub's Manager.

The reasoning for the shut-down of the Pub to underage students was underage drinking and over-crowding, both of which violated state laws. This reasoning, however, prohibited most of the students from going to the Pub, which Cook and Fazio saw as taking away a privilege that belonged to the students.

At the meeting with the administrators, the two students expressed their concerns and arrived at some compromises. The three administrators said they were willing to lower the age restriction if Cook and Fazio established a committee that would act as an intermediary between the students and the Pub.

The administrators expressed their concern with the underage drinking and the frequent inspections by the local police, which might lead to a permanent shut-down of the Pub if the laws were not strictly observed.

Moreover, since the Pub was understaffed on busy nights, Marshall requested students who would help. These "student aides" will interact with the patrons of the Pub, hold paid positions, and help to reduce underage drinking, but they will not be involved with the police. According to Cook and Fazio, Marshall is still looking for more students who may be interested in

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Science program receives $2 million
Record gift earmarked for facilities upgrade

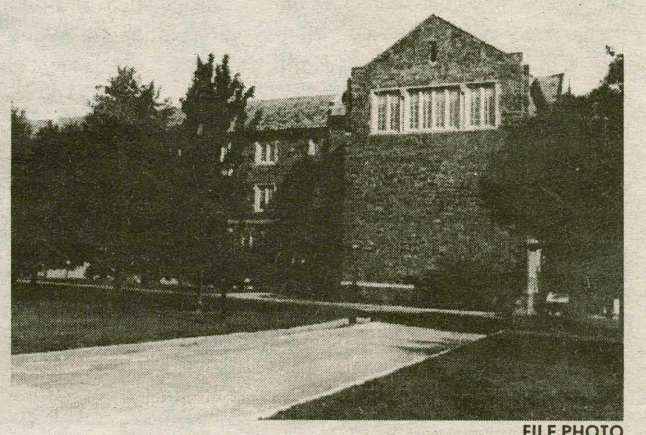
By Tom Ayres '98
NEWS EDITOR

Hamilton received its largest gift ever this week from a charitable foundation — $2 million — from The Brown Foundation. The contribution will serve as the lead gift for the renewal of the science facilities, the most expensive building endeavor in the College's history.

"Experts across the nation recognize that an education in mathematics and science is one of the fundamental components of a modern liberal arts experience," said President Eugene M. Tobin. "Hamilton welcomes the opportunity this gift provides to embrace fully the prominent place of science in liberal education".

Although final plans have yet to be determined pending the completion of an audit of Hamilton's science facilities, the need is clear: The Science Building was built in 1925 and renovated in 1965, and the Saunders Hall of Chemstry was built in 1903 and was last renovated in 1978. Since that time, undergraduate science education has undergone a tremendous transformation.

According to Stone Professor of Psychology Doug Weldon, who has spent the past 18 months looking at how the science program has changed and how new science facilities are needed to keep pace with that change, undergraduate science education has been transformed as a result of pedagogical reforms and technological advances.



FILE PHOTO
The Science Building, built in 1925, was last renovated in 1965.

"Often, the classroom activity is more flexible, in which instructors intermix lecture with hands-on experiences, group work, and discussions. There is an interest in incorporating more experimental and discovery experiences in courses, instead of demonstrations," said Weldon, who is also the Science Curriculum and Facilities Coordinator. "Computer interfaces allow for more concentrations on theoretical importance of observations and facilitate the process of making observations."

Although the science facilities have been maintained over the years, there has not been any new science space created since the addition to the Science Building in 1965. Science space, particularly in the areas that require sophisticated air handling and utilities, are expensive, and the needs for renovations are extensive.

Chemistry facilities, for ex-

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SPECTACLES
Oh, will you two get a room!

PHOTO BY SARA BRAINARD '01
Larah Alami '01 and Marshall Leddy '01 warm up for Valentine's Day.

Commons to get facelift

By Kathy Webber '00
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Next year, those who frequent Commons will return to find a new and improved Commons as the dining hall will undergo major renovations during the spring and summer.

On May 8 Commons will close for service until it's reopening for the Fall '98 semester. The community received an e-mail this week advising them that preliminary testing work would be starting soon.

"It's been a long time since Commons had a face-lift," said Betsy Espe, Director of Auxiliary and Contract Services, who is responsible for the food services and the Print Shop. Espe is involved in the renovation planning, especially those plans involving changes done to the kitchen and servery (where students pick up their food).

Renovations made to Commons will mostly involve the interior — the outer appearance will basically remain intact. After renovations, Commons will seat about 150 more people. Additional seating will include a loggia located on the Dunham

PHOTO BY ERIN WATERS '01
Commons is slated for renovations beginning May 8

side of the building. A loggia is a type of veranda enclosed in glass, and it will seat approximately 60-70 people. The former student apartment upstairs will be converted to additional smaller dining rooms.

The kitchen will be moved down-

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Brown gift designed to keep College competitive in science instruction

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ample, were renovated in the late 70's and there is a need for new hood and general air handling systems. Geologists do not have faculty research laboratories, and the spaces for almost all of the science departments need to be increased.

Weldon explained that Hamilton now needs a major overhaul of its science facilities to continue to keep pace.

"Classrooms need to be configured to allow for multiple pedagogical approaches. They must permit the increasing use of computer technology in courses of every level," he said. "The new facilities need to facilitate the growing numbers of ways in which science disciplines blend such as biochemistry, environmental sciences, psycho-biology, geo-archaeology, as well as others that will emerge in the future."

When asked how Hamilton's science program stacks up against science programs at comparable schools in terms of attracting intelligent, motivated students, Weldon replied confidently that our record of involvement of students in research is superior to most other institutions.

"In my opinion, the senior project is the feature that distinguishes us from other institutions," he said. "In addition, there are numerous faculty members who are productive scholars, innovative teachers, and authors of textbooks that are used around the country."

Renewed science facilities are the capstone of the current fund-raising campaign. When The New Century Campaign was announced to the public in September 1997, alumni and friends of the College had already committed $40 million toward the $83 million goal.

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"This campaign represents our aspirations and ideals as we seek to demonstrate leadership and vision for the liberal arts in America," said President Tobin. The nearly four-year fund-raising effort will conclude on June 30, 2001.

"This leadership gift recognizes the affection Nancy Brown Wellin and her husband Keith Wellin '50 have for Hamilton," said Tobin. "It is a critical step forward in reasserting our leadership position in undergraduate science education by providing committed teacher-scholars and intellectually curious and conscientious students with the facilities they expect and deserve."

Included in the campaign's record total are $31 million for student support, including $27 million for endowed scholarships; $14 million for faculty development, including $9 million for six new named professorships; $18 million to renew the science facilities; $5 million for programs and facilities that support the Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center — the undergraduate public policy think tank; and $15 million in unrestricted annual giving over the life of the campaign.

"In one form or another, every major goal of The New Century Campaign is directed toward improving student quality and achievement," Tobin said. "Much remains to be done, because our aspirations are great, but the response thus far has been exceptionally encouraging."

The Brown Foundation, Inc. has been a consistent supporter of Hamilton and its students. In 1993, the foundation established an endowed scholarship fund for students from Texas, with preference given to students from the Houston area.

A new and improved Commons for Fall '98

*From **Commons**, page 1*

stairs and the additional room will be used for the servery which will include a pizza oven and grill, deli, salad, and carvery stations. Most of the food will be prepared to order with prep work being done downstairs. New equipment will be installed, and plumbing and electrical work have already been started.

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> **We want to make lunch more agreeable. It feels like you need a shoehorn to move during lunch.**
> **--Betsy Espe**

There will no longer be food served in the dining area, that space will be used for additional seating. One of the goals of the renovation is more comfort for Commons patrons.

"We especially want to make lunch time more agreeable for students," said Espe. "Right now, it feels like you need a shoehorn to move during lunch."

Some preliminary plans for the seating areas include more sound reduction and better lighting. Commons will also be equipped with new tables and chairs.

According to Espe, the final plans are almost completed and will be ready to be approved at the Board of Trustees Meeting on March 7. After the board's approval, the plans will be put out to bid. As of now, there is no final estimation of the cost.

Besides Espe Rebecca Reed-Kantrowitz, Assistant Dean of Students and Director of Residential Life, is involved in the renovation plans, especially those concerning the new seating areas. Steven Bellona, Director of Physical Plant, and Arthur Jewett, Project Manager, are overseeing the construction work. All involved in the renovations report to Dan O'Leary, Vice President of Administration and Finance.

According to Espe, the College has been working with architect Charles Belson of the Ewing Cole Cherry Brott Architecture Firm in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The College worked with the same firm when renovations were done to Carnegie, South, and the former DU house. Planners are also consulting with a kitchen design company.

Law professor to speak on welfare and poverty

By The Spectator Staff

Professor Peter Edelman from Georgetown University will come to the Hill Thursday, February 9 to give his lecture, the first in a series focusing on poverty, "Welfare and Poverty: Where do we go from here?" at 8 p.m. in the Chapel.

Edelman, a graduate of Harvard Law School, has clerked for Supreme Court Justice Arthur J. Goldberg and Assistant Attorney General John Douglas. He also worked as a legislative assistant for Senator Robert F. Kennedy during the 60's. Before teaching law at Georgetown, Edelman served in several public service positions, including vice president at the University of Massachusetts.

Most recently Edelman was assistant secretary for planning and evaluation for the Department of Human Services, but resigned from his post in 1996 in protest of President Clinton passing the welfare reform bill. He is cited as calling the bill, "the worst thing that Clinton has done."

Edelman has written many articles relating to poverty, constitutional law and issues pertaining to youth.

Two more lecturers slated to speak as part of the series are Kathryn Edin, professor of sociology at the University of Pennsylvania and co-author of *Making Ends Meet: How Single Mothers Survive Welfare and Low-Wage Work*, and Vivyan Adair, lecturer in women's studies and English at the University of Washington and a former welfare dependant. Both women are scheduled to lecture in the spring.

The lecture series is sponsored by the Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center and the Kirkland Project for the Study of Gender, Society and Culture.

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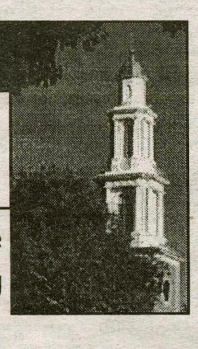


THE NEWS AT COLLEGES ACROSS THE LAND

COMPILED BY JOY DREIBELBIS '99

Madison Psychiatrist's license suspended for prescribing masturbation therapy

HARRISONBURG, Va. (U-WIRE) — A local psychiatrist's status with the university is uncertain following the indefinite suspension of his medical license last week for prescribing masturbation therapy in seven cases from 1969 to 1988.

Dr. Carl Robert Showalter, who sometimes treats JMU students referred to him by the Counseling Center, faces suspension of his medical license for what theVirginia Board of Medicine calls "improper and unethical conduct" involving his private practice in Harrisonburg.

Showalter, JMU's psychiatrist since 1969, prescribed masturbation therapy,which the Virginia Medical Board said is "not a recognized psychiatric treatment modality." Showalter also runs a private practice in the Medical Arts building on South Main Street.

Donna Harper, University Health Center director, said she is not aware of any JMU students involved in the allegations, but Showalter's status with the university is unclear. "We're still working out what the implications and ramifications will be," she said.

Showalter issued a statement through John West, his attorney. "I do not dispute the board's finding that the treatment I used was an unproven and experimental treatment modality that never gained widespread acceptance," he said in the statement.

Showalter said he no longer uses masturbation therapy. "I began using this form of treatment almost 30 years ago - based on certain case studies published inscientific literature - in an effort to provide psychiatric treatment for certain patients who struggled with very difficult sexual issues," he said in the statement.

Showalter signed a consent order Feb. 2 that waived his right to a hearing. The order stated Showalter neither admits nor denies the Medical Board's findings and indicates Showalter hasn't used the treatment in 10 years. He prescribed the treatment to seven patients who were suffering from sexual problems from 1969 to 1988, according to the consent order. These seven patients have lodged complaints.

In one case, from Feb. 1986 to May 1987, "Showalter represented masturbation as a legitimate form of treatment to Patient B," the order states. Showalter "on occasion had [Patient B] masturbate during, and as part of, therapy sessions," the order states. The patient said he didn't think Showalter received sexual gratification from the therapy, but instead saw it as a therapy technique.

Flies at UVA help crack cocaine mystery

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. (U-WIRE) — Apparently, flies on crack go berserk. They spin, they walk sideways, they scratch themselves and they even move backwards. If you're lucky, you just might see an occasional flip, too.

University Biology Prof. Jay Hirsch and doctoral biology student Colleen McClung observed this unique behavior after dosing thousands of fruit flies with greater and greater amounts of "crack" cocaine.

"Flies will act very weird after they've been given even small amounts of cocaine," Hirsch said. "They exhibit excessive scratching, grooming and extention of their" mouth parts.

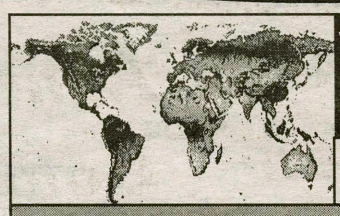
Because humans and fruit flies use many similar biochemical pathways, Hirsch and McClung's research actually might help scientists unravel the molecular basis of cocaine addiction in people. The research also may lay the foundation for highly specific drugs to treat cocaine addiction. Although Hirsch and McClung have not worked specifically with humans, they believe that the same type of behavior — excessive scratching of the hands or using repetitive gestures, for example — is displayed by people on crack.

In higher doses, cocaine is a very powerful, addictive drug. Often sold on city streets, "crack" cocaine is known to encourage crime. But the two geneticists' research — which involves carefully monitored, government-sponsored cocaine — could help other scientists correlate the genetics of behavioral and psychological responses in flies to those of humans.

So how does one give cocaine to a fruit fly? "We apply a droplet of 'crack' cocaine dissolved in ethanol to a wire filament. After the alcohol evaporates, the wire gets inserted in a glass test-tube of flies," Hirsch said. As the wire gets heated by an electric current, "crack" is released as an aerosol in a cloud of smoke, absorbed by flies. When low doses of cocaine were applied to the filament, the researchers saw flies continuously groom themselves with their front and back legs.

"It took us three-and-a-half months of paperwork to get crack from the government," Hirsch said.

WORLD NEWS



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U.N. advises workers to avoid Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) —The United Nations advised relief workers on leave from jobs in Iraq on Thursday not to return because of concerns over a possible U.S. military strike. Their absence will further hamper efforts to aid Iraqis suffering under international sanctions. The decision affecting about one-quarter of the U.N.'s relief staff in Iraq is part of a contingency plan being drafted as diplomatic efforts to end the standoff over weapons inspections appear to falter.

The United States has threatened air strikes against Iraq unless its inspectors have free access to all sites where weapons may be hidden. Iraq has denied them access to Saddam Hussein's palaces and other sites that Iraq considers to be symbols of its national sovereignty.

The move to reduce the U.N. presence in Baghdad followed the rejection of Iraq's latest overture to resolve the crisis. Iraq offered to open eight presidential complexes for two months to new weapons inspectors selected by the U.N. secretary-general — concessions the country's foreign minister described as the "red lines" that "Baghdad cannot cross." Foreign Minister Saeed al-Sahhaf called the American rejection of Iraq's offer "a bluff" that could backfire.

The Clinton administration acknowledges there is less international support now for bombing Iraq than there was during the 1991 Persian Gulf War. Even so, the State Department said its list of countries backing force as a last resort was growing and that countries such as France are hedging publicly to give them more leeway to use diplomacy.

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan met for 90 minutes Wednesday with the ambassadors of the United States, Russia, China, France and Britain — the first time permanent members of the Security Council had met together to review the status of negotiations spearheaded by Russia, France and the Arab League. Annan has been urged by the Russians, French and others to take a leading role in diplomatic efforts to resolve the crisis without a U.S. air strike.

The rising tensions have prompted the U.N. to advise aid workers not to spend the night outside of Baghdad — a travel restriction that hurts their ability to make sure food supplies are handed out equitably.

The United Nations also fears that an American attack may disrupt humanitarian supplies reaching the country under the oil-for-food program, which allows Baghdad to sell $2 billion every six months for humanitarian purposes.

Afghan quake victims plead for aid

RUSTAQ, Afghanistan (AP) — A three-truck aid convoy arrived Thursday in quake-devastated northeastern Afghanistan after journeying across snow-clogged mountain passes, and aid organizations appealed for money to parachute in 1,000 tons more.

Until now, the aid supply to the remote region, battered by snowfall, fog and a protracted and bitter civil war, has been barely a trickle. The 20 tons of food brought in Thursday was the first substantial delivery since the Feb. 4 quake destroyed dozens of mountain villages and killed at least 4,500 people.

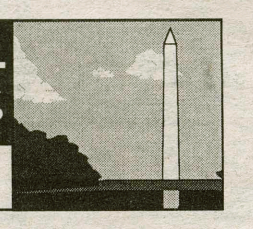
The United Nations and the International Red Cross appealed Thursday for $2.5 million, primarily to pay for building materials to shelter the estimated 25,000 people left homeless by the 6.1-magnitude earthquake and aftershocks.

The three-truck U.N. convoy rumbled into the battered city of Rustaq late Thursday. It had left neighboring Badakhshan province four days earlier, but stalled in snow- and mud-clogged mountain passes. The trucks brought 20 tons of food, clothing and plastic sheeting, said Anis Haider, director of the World Food Program in neighboring Pakistan. By afternoon, the snow had let up and two U.N. planes carrying nearly two tons of food, blankets and plastic sheeting were able to land. Two Red Cross aircraft also made it to the area — the first flights since Monday.

Aid agencies faced a logistical nightmare in trying to supply the region, due to snowstorms, fog, bitter cold and war-shattered roads. The relief effort has been complicated by landslides, harsh terrain and the large distances between villages in need of help.

The effects of almost 20 years of civil war further hampered rescue efforts, with impenetrable front lines crossing shattered highways. The northern military alliance that controls the earthquake zone faces the Taliban Islamic army along a 40-mile front southwest of Rustaq. While the Taliban has not been stopping aid convoys, the religious army that controls 85 percent of the country has not given any assistance to the quake victims.

NATIONAL NEWS



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Judge throws out line-item veto

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal judge threw out President Clinton's new line-item veto authority Thursday, delivering a blow to a power both Clinton and the Republican Congress said was crucial for limiting wasteful spending. A decisive ruling by the Supreme Court seems likely in the next few months.

U.S. District Judge Thomas F. Hogan said the line-item veto, enacted in1996 and used for the first time last year, unconstitutionally shifted power to the president from the Congress. The measure allows the president to kill individual items in tax and spending bills that otherwise become law, though he can be reversed by two-thirds majorities of the House and Senate.

"The line-item veto act impermissibly crosses the line between acceptable delegations of rulemaking authority and unauthorized surrender to the president of an inherently legislative function, namely, the authority to permanently shape laws and package legislation," Hogan wrote.

Clinton, who called for line-item veto power during his 1992 presidential campaign, said the law has worked well, saving taxpayers more than $1 billion. "Although I am disappointed with today's ruling, it is my belief that ultimately, the line-item veto will be ruled constitutional by the U.S. Supreme Court," he said.

Numerous congressional proponents of the power also predicted ultimate victory — either at the Supreme Court or in a renewed effort to pass a new version, perhaps as a constitutional amendment.

But others conceded that if there is a next time, there might be less enthusiasm for the power. The approaching age of budget surpluses has made deficit reduction less urgent, and many lawmakers were unhappy last year when Clinton used the power to kill projects in their home districts.

"This is a victory for the American people," said Byrd, a fierce defender of Congress' prerogatives. "It is their Constitution, their republic, and their liberties that have been made more secure."

Clinton used the new power 82 times last year, all but twice on spending items, saving a claimed $1.9 billion over the next five years. But those savings represent just 0.0002 percent of the $9 trillion that will be spent over that period.

New allegations of Marine hazing

PARRIS ISLAND, S.C. (AP) — A year after the nation was shocked by bloody images of Marines pounding medals into each other's chests comes a new picture of young Marines being subjected to beatings, Thursday night fights and mock crucifixions.

Four privates are in the brig at Parris Island, charged with hazing and severely beating a fellow Marine because he supposedly had gotten his platoon in trouble for failing to do some routine tasks.

Pvt. Maciej Lugowski, 20, of New York City lost his spleen and suffered other injuries in the assault Dec. 17 — six months after the nation's top Marine declared the Corps would not tolerate hazing. After a week in the hospital and a month's leave, Lugowski is back at Fort Knox, Ky., the Army base where the assault took place.

"It's despicable to us to see this type of activity," said Maj. Rick Long, a spokesman for the Corps' training depot here. "People are shocked that Marines would engage in this type of activity against other Marines."

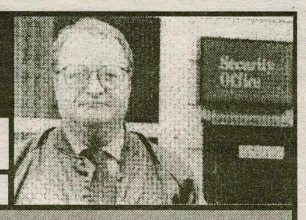
At a preliminary hearing Wednesday for one of the accused, defense attorney Maj. Bill Weber said new trainees at Fort Knox were soon visited by other Marines who punched, cursed and dragged them into the hall. Those who did not fight back had their heads flushed in the toilet, he said. Navy investigators also have said that Thursday nights were set aside for more senior trainees to fight newer ones in "love sessions," in which the only instructions were not to hit in the face or below the belt.

There are also allegations of mock crucifixions, with trainees' hands taped to broomsticks pushed through the backs of their shirts. Weber said that a sergeant was present, but that officers ignored the hazings. He said his client, Pvt. Jacob Isaacs, 18, of McKee, Ky., had been "sparring" with Lugowski in his room, just as other Marines did all the time, when the other defendants came in and things got out of hand.

Last June, Gen. Charles Krulak, the Marine Corps commandant, issued a strong order against hazing after TV stations aired videotapes of "blood pinnings," in which Marines pounded golden jump wings into the chests of paratroopers at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

"I am committed to ridding our Corps of such heinous behavior," Krulak said.

SECURITY blotter



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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5

7:20 a.m.	Damage to private property in Chi Psi House
9:45 a.m.	Motor vehicle violation at Azel Backus
1:30 p.m.	Disorderly conduct in Campus Safety Office
2:00 p.m.	Motor vehicle accident in Parking Area G

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

3:42 a.m.	Vandalism to smoke detector triggers alarm in Babbitt
10:45 p.m.	Vandalism to College property reported in Bristol Campus Center

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

1:00 a.m.	Larceny of personal property from the Fitness Center
3:25 a.m.	Cooking smoke triggers fire alarm in McIntosh
9:25 a.m.	Systems problem sets of fire alarm in Burke Library
7:09 p.m.	Medical emergency in Bundy West
7:25 p.m.	Vandalism to personal property reported in Dunham basement
7:40 p.m.	Larceny of personal property in the Events Barn (property later recovered)
9:30 p.m.	Equipment malfunction set off fire alarm in McEwen Dining Hall
10:51 p.m.	Larceny of College property reported in Little Pub
11:24 p.m.	Aggravated harassment (prank call to 911) in Fieldhouse

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

2:52 a.m.	Vandalism to personal property in Dunham basement

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9

7:45 a.m.	Vandalism to College property reported in North Court
8:08 a.m.	Medical emergency in Griffin Road Apts.
8:18 a.m.	Vandalism of personal property reported in Sage Rink
11:30 a.m.	Medical emergency in North
1:39 p.m.	Sterno can ignited tablecloth to trigger fire alarm in Commons
4:30 p.m.	Violation of alcohol policy in Farmhouse
8:15 p.m.	Medical emergency in Bundy West
9:00 p.m.	Medical emergency in Fieldhouse

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

10:58 p.m.	Medical emergency in Bundy West
11:30 p.m.	Cigarette smoke sets off fire alarm in Dunham

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

2:55 a.m.	Medical emergency in Bundy East
2:06 p.m.	Motor vehicle accident in West Quad
2:45 p.m.	Medical emergency in Kirner-Johnson
3:55 p.m.	Damage to personal property reported in Dunham parking lot
11:32 p.m.	Medical emergency in North

Platforms for Student Assembly Offices

'99 Secretary/Treasurer

MEGHAN MAHANEY

My name is Meghan Mahaney and I would like to serve as Secretary/ Treasurer for the Class of 1999. I would appreciate this opportunity to represent the ideas and views of the Class of 1999 in the Student Assembly. I believe that Hamilton College is a fine institution that can be made even better through student participation. This is why I feel that the Student Assembly is such an important aspect of this campus, and why I wish to become a part of it. Thank you and please vote for Meghan Mahaney for Class Secretary/ Treasurer.

'99 Representative (2 openings available)

ABBY BARBIERI

The Voice
by Shel Silverstein

There is a voice inside of you
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CARRIE FASSETT

Much has changed since we first settled atop the Hill, for better and for worse. Changes will continue regardless of our involvement, but with solid leadership and representation, we can ensure that our views will be heard. Issues regarding our class and the College as a whole need to be discussed, not just once a semester, but on a daily basis, and with all members of the Hamilton community. As your Class Representative I will make certain our perspective will be heard. We need to take responsibility for our time here at Hamilton. Make sure that our voice is heard.

'00 Secretary/Treasurer

MEGHAN REYNOLDS

I am running for Secretary/Treasurer of the Class of 2000. I have become interested in the workings of student government this past year and would like very much to represent our class. I think it is extremely important for the class officers to effectively represent the student body and their feelings in student government. I will be accessible to our class and ready to listen to all suggestions and complaints. I will also being fresh ideas for class activities and fundraising. The position of Secretary/Treasurer is a serious leadership position that I will fulfill to my utmost ability.

NADIA SANGSTER

My name is Nadia Sangster, and I am running for secretary of the class of 2000. As secretary of the class, I intend to make sure that our class is informed about the events for the year. I plan to make sure that everyone in our class is up - to - date on the dealings of our meetings. Also, if elected, I will do my best to serve my fellow classmates. So, remember on Wednesday the 18th to cast your vote for Nadia Sangster for secretary of the class of 2000.

SABRINA VALENTA

Hello. My name is Sabrina Valenta, and I'm running for Treasurer of the Class of 2000. Holding the position of Resident Advisor in Bundy West, as well as balancing monies for my own budget to attend Hamilton College, help me recognize how important money-based decisions are. If I am elected to the Treasurer position, I will seek input from the entire class for suggestions about what to do with our money and, most importantly, let you know what is happening with our money. Thank you.

'00 Representative

KATIE DOWNS

If elected representative of the class of 2000, I would effectively voice the concerns of our class to the student assembly and the administration, a task that is frequently neglected. Hamilton is currently undergoing many drastic social and academic changes that will affect all of us. As these changes occur, the needs and opinions of our class are more important now than ever and we must be heard by the powers of the school. As representative, I would work to make sure that the class of 2000 is not ignored by the administration, but that our voice is heard.

'00 President

AMANDA DAFLOS

There is a great deal to be done by the Class of 2000 but without unification among the class or significant motivation little will get done. I ask you to vote for me so that I can bring the Class of 2000 together for social functions, charity events and school and community related activities so this next semester will be a productive and memorable one. With four years experience as president of an active high school class of 650, and involvement in a number of Hamilton groups, I feel that I can offer a great deal to Hamilton's Class of 2000.

TYLER HIRSCHEY

Many would agree that there have been too many instances where the administration has been deaf to the voices of the student body. As president of our class of 2000, my first priority will be to see that our voices are heard with open ears. I will work to get Cable TV. Additional social spaces are also a top priority. Along with these goals I also welcome any ideas that other members of our class may have and will do everything possible to implement them. I look foward to talk at any time about our classes direction in the future.

CHRIS MACPHERSON

It's important to realize that being a President of your class is not just a functional job of promoting class activity, but that it gives you a unique position among administration and faculty with the ability to participate in influential decisions. As Dan Qualye said, "It's a question of whether we're going to go forward into the future, or past into the back." Yeah. Now I know most of you, and I would like to think most of you know me. I have been your rep since we started school, show to me I have been doing a good job. Gigawatt!

Voting for these offices will take place on Thusday, February 19, in Beinecke Village. ID cards are required to register to vote.

Pub officials: underage students come back

*From **Pub policy**, page 1*

helping.

"The Pub officials have been extremely helpful and receptive," said Fazio.

Many professors and students have expressed their support of the Pub committee and the issues the two chairs are trying to address. Some professors have even suggested holding some of their classes in the Pub.

The committee will meet with the Pub administration once a week to continue their efforts to improve the Pub. The committee intends to help "ease the pain of the new Pub ID's," as well as to address the issues of mixed drinks and hard liquor.

Cook and Fazio hope to preserve the Pub as a place for the entertainment of the Hamilton community and expect to receive more ideas and suggestions of how this can be done.

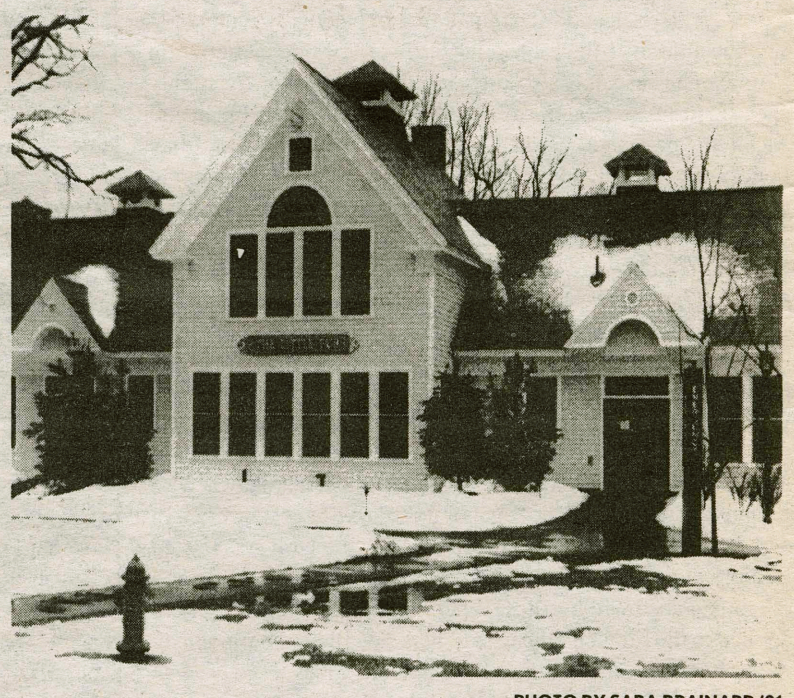

PHOTO BY SARA BRAINARD '01

The Pub is a popular spot for students to meet with friends.

LECTURES

Monday: Dennis Prager, moralist, theologian, philosopher, author , and TV and radio talk show host, will speak on "Happiness is a Serious Problem" at 7:30 pm in the Chapel.

Wednesday: Kevin Powell, journalist, poet, and member of the first cast of MTV's "Real World", will speak on "Campus Racism in the 90's" at 7 pm in the Chapel.

Wednesday: Professor Saraswati Sunindyo, Irwin Chair of the Women's Studies Department, will speak on "What is happening in Indonesia" at 8 pm in the Red Pit. Sponsored by the Asian Cultural Society and Student Assembly.

Thursday: There will be a lecture on "Welfare and Poverty: Where Do We Go From Here?" given by Peter Edelman, Professor of Law at Georgetown University. This lecture will be given at 8 pm in the Chapel. Sponsored by the Levitt Center and the Kirkland Project.

F I L M

This week's film is *Everybody's Fine* and will play Friday and Sunday at 7:30 pm and Saturday at 10 pm. Sponsored by the Foreign and Fine Film Society.

A R T S

Exhibition: *The Buffalo Soldier: The African American Soldier in the U.S. Army* will be on display from January 12 to February 22. This exhibition, which is mainly photographs, concerns the first African Americans to serve in the regular peacetime U.S. Army after the Civil War. Hours are Monday - Friday, 12 - 5 pm; Saturday and Sunday, 1 - 5 pm in the Emerson Gallery.

Friday: At 8 pm Vladimir Pritsker, violin, and Steven Heyman, piano, will perform in Wellin Hall as part of MAHAS. Sponsored by the Departments of Music, Theatre and Dance.

Thursday: *The Secret Garden* will be performed by the Oakland Ballet at 8 pm in Wellin Hall as part of HPAS. Sponsored by the Departments of Music, Theatre and Dance.

CHECK IT OUT

Friday & Saturday: *The Wall* will play as a midnight movie in the KJ Auditorium. Sponsored by the Campus Activities Board.

Tuesday: At 4 pm there will be an oragami workshop in Cafe Opus. Sponsored by the Asian Cultural Society and Student Assembly.

Wednesday: At 7 pm there will be an Open Mike in the Events Barn to support Alternative Spring Break. Sponsored by HAVOC and Alternative Spring Break.

Wednesday: *The Killing Fields* will be shown at 7 pm in the Chemistry Auditorium. Sponsored by the Asian Cultural Society and funded by the Student Assembly.

Thursday: Bruce Walczyk will give a "Kali workshop on Filipino martial arts" at 4 pm in the List Dance Studio. Sponsored by the Asian Cultural Society and funded by Student Assembly.

Thursday: The Bobby Peru Comedy Troupe will give its first performance this semester at 7:30 pm in the Hub.

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The Wedding Singer	*7:20, 9:50*	*Blues Brothers 2000*	*6:50, 9:25*
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Chili Cookoff simmers

By Riley Fenner '00
FEATURES EDITOR

Are you suffering from the depression brought on by a deprivation of sunlight and time spent outside your room known as Cabin Fever? If so, the cure for your illness might be the Fifth Annual Cabin Fever Chili Cookoff, being held this Saturday in the Bristol Campus Center Hub, from noon to 2 pm. This is the Cookoff's fifth year since it was started by Beverly Low, Director of Student Activities, in 1994.

The first year, the event attracted only six participants, but has expanded since then, and last year included twelve chili chefs. Contestants are attracted by the chance to win fabulous prizes, such as new chili bowls, and by the glory of tantalizing the taste buds of their fellow students. In fact, one graduate from the class of '97, Andrew Edelson, will be returning to campus to vie for the prize once again. His competition will include the reigning champion of the past two years, Corey Landstrom, the Student Activities Programming Coordinator. Other entrants will include chefs from Bon Appetit. The catering company will also be providing tortilla chips and sodas to complement the chili.

The chili competition is divided into two categories, Vegetarian and Con Carne (with meat). Within these categories, the chili is made at three heat levels: Mellow, Spicy, and Rocket Fuel. Attendees of the event get to taste whatever chili their palate desires, and then vote on the chef whose concoction they prefer. Stop by on Saturday and get some food, or drop by with your cooking utensils and enter the contest...if you dare.

Examining an eating club

By Joy Dreibelbis '99
MANAGING EDITOR

On a campus where tweed blazers and unbelievable SAT scores abound, strange and unconventional rituals are routinely practiced. This past weekend, I travelled to Princeton University to visit a high school friend and got an interesting glimpse into the social scene of this prestigious institution. Whereas Hamilton students flock like lemmings to the Bundy dining hall, Princetonians make their pilgrimage to a row of eating clubs.

No, the ivy leagers do not have some sort of bizarre food fetish; the eating clubs are social groups with their own houses in which the members eat all their meals and throw parties every weekend. The eating clubs are located together on a street just off of the university's property, allowing the clubs to host parties whenever they want without fear of administrative supervision.

Luckily for me, I arrived on the weekend of initiation for the new eating club members. I was asked to participate in the ceremonies, because, apparently, the freshman would have no idea that I was not a member anyway. When I walked into the club, I was surprised to find that it was entirely covered in black plastic, with walls of plastic erected all around, subdividing the house into smaller rooms. The theme of initiation this year was "Clue" and the freshmen were to travel from room to room, meeting characters from the game. Their goal is to go through all the rooms and figure out who the killer is, getting very messy along the way.

My room was supposed to eliminate Mr. Green as a suspect, so we decided to decorate it as the ER and have our character be Dr. Green. This twist on the theme opened up an abundance of possibilities for delicacies to be thrust upon our visitors. A fake body cavity was created out of a plastic bin and filled with sausages, Spam, barbeque sauce, and other visceral-looking foods. As groups of students came in, six at a time, they were forced to reach into the cavity, thereby causing a "code blue" in the fake patient. We then squirted them with bottles of ketchup and sent them on to the next room. Initiating the eighty new members, six at a time, took a grueling five hours. By the time we were through, the room smelled like a mixture of garbage, rotting meat, and drying ketchup. As waves of nausea swept over me, I was informed that the party was about to start downstairs - beer with your rotting Spam, anyone?

I reluctantly made my way downstairs out of the foul-smelling room to find a room full of foul-smelling people fighting their way towards the open bar. My patience for being there was growing very thin when my friend let me know that it was time to leave for her a capella concert. Thankfully, we burst out into the fresh air and made our way to a gothic arch where a cappella groups give impromtu concerts around midnight on Saturdays. The pleasing sounds of my friend's group soothed my frazzled nerves and somewhat redeemed the evening.

While I will give the clubs kudos for coming up with new, inventive ways to pour repulsive substances on initiatees, the whole process seemed overly complicated. It was well thought-out and creative, but seriously lacking in the element of surprise category (the new members knew exactly what was going to happen to them, and were dressed accordingly), not to mention way too time consuming and decidedly NOT fun. My mission to get away from the Hill was fulfilled, however I was disappointed to find out that fun, an extremely elusive entity around here, was not to be found at Princeton either.

Asian New Year Celebration Begins

By Riley Fenner '00
FEATURES EDITOR

COURTESY BIRMINGHAM ASSIST

Although New Year's may be nothing more than a blurry memory for most of us, the Asian New Year is about to be celebrated during this coming week. The Asian Cultural Society is sponsoring a series aof events that will expose students at Hamilton to the practices of Eastern societies. All the events are free and open to all members of the college community.

On Monday, February 16, the series starts off with the showing of the movie, The Killing Fields, in the Chemistry Auditorium at 7 p.m. The following day a discussion of the film will be led by Dith Pran in the KJ Red Pit at 7 p.m. Also on Tuesday, an Origami workshop will be held at 4 p.m. in Cafe Opus.

On Wednesday, Professor Saraswati Sunindyo will deliver a lecture entitled "What is happening in Indonesia?" at 8 p.m. in the KJ Red Pit. The Asian Cultural Society will attempt to expose students to cultures of many different Asian countries during the course of the week. Thursday a workshop on Kali and Fillipino martial arts will be led by Bruce Walczyk from 4-6 p.m. in the Dance Studio.

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The series culminates on Friday with an Asian New Year dinner at 6 p.m. in Dwight Lounge, followed by an Asian New Year Celebration at 7 p.m. in the Hub. The New Year Celebration will include singing performances by Chinese language classes, a fashion show, and traditional dances. The dinner costs $5, but students who wish to use their meal equivalency to cover the cost may do so. On Saturday the East Coast Asian Student Union Conference will be held at Cornell University. Students who need transportation to Cornell should contact the ACS at x4574. The school will cover part of the cost of registration fees for the conference.

The week of Monday February 16 offers some unique opportunities to learn about Asian cultures. If you always complain that this campus never offers unique events to attend, taka advantage of this week-long celebration. Who knows, you might have more fun than you did when you celebrated the New Year the first time around.

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Riley's Occasional Ramblings

Wishful Thinking

By Riley Fenner '00
FEATURES EDITOR

Everyone has a wishlist for their ideal college campus. If you want an example, just look through the editorial section, where you find requests for everything from school-supplied kegs in every dorm room to our own privately funded city built up around the campus. Ideally, I guess, we could get everything delivered to our rooms-class lectures on cable, friends to talk to in chat rooms, food, beer, cigarettes, eternal happiness, as long as you've got a credit card it's yours. The thing is, what would motivate us in such a situation?

If we lived in a more spoiled environment, without any complaints, why would anyone want to leave? It's easy to think of the ideal college campus right now, but if you actually lived in it, its existence would defeat its ultimate purpose. The point of college is to diversify your experiences, to discover people and ideas that you've never considered before. If all the pleasures of the world that you can imagine are delivered to your door, nothing is really left to the imagination.

Because we are unsatisfied with the options available to us, we can imagine a life that satisfies all our desires, and are better people for the fact that we have exercised our powers of imagination. Just look at the things people can come up with when they try.

"I think there should be a store on campus that's open twenty-four hours a day. I mean, there's always that group of people who are up all night working for a class. Why should they have to go without the things they need? The school would make a killing off those people. At four in the morning, what wouldn't you pay for a box of Pop-Tarts?"

"I would love to see a campus that accepted public nudity, drunkenness, and general public weirdness. At this school, I feel like a weirdo if I go to check my mailbox by myself. I should be able to run down the paths with a bottle of champagne held to my lips and feel comfortable. If people would still speak to me after that sort of spectacle here, I would be surprised."

"I like to be entertained at a consistent level. I don't like my entertainment to be intrusive on my private goals, though. Maybe everyone on campus should have their own private mime to follow them around all over campus, making sure that there's something in their consciousness that will brighten their day."

"I don't understand how some people make choices so easily. I think everyone needs his or her own private guidance counselor to walk around with them and provide advice. Everything from what to order in the diner to what you want to major in would be provided for you by your own

Personal Decisioner-2000 laptop computer program. That would eliminate the last shred of stress from my life."

These cures for unahppiness at college would seem to make complete sense. However, appearances can be deceiving. If you live a life free of desire, you are not living the real way of the world. Everyone desires a better world in reality, but making things simpler does not always lead to satisfaction. If you are completely satisfied in the here and now, your standards are too low, and you aren't thinking about all that you need to. If you aren't completely happy here, you know what it is that you need for happiness, and you will discover what you must do to obtain it.

FACES IN THE CROWD

Sarah Goldstein

By Shauna Wreschner '00
FEATURES WRITER

Instantly recognizable with her long french-braid and friendly smile, Sarah Goldstein is a familiar and much loved face around Cafe Opus. Goldstein is the remaining half of "B & G Coffee," the company that supplies the caffeine-addicted on the Hill this semester.

The other half of the company, Larry Bender (the "B" half) is spending the year away in Paris with his spouse, a professor in the French Department. Both Bender and Goldstein came to the College when their spouses were hired for faculty positions. Goldstein's husband is a professor in the Economics Department.

Goldstein says that when they both arrived on the Hill, "There was no place where all different groups on campus, students, faculty, staff and families could hang-out. There was no good coffee either." Kirkland College once had a coffee shop, but eventually closed it down because it failed to be cost effective.

Sarah Goldstein PHOTO BY SARA BRAINARD '01

Goldstein and Bender got together and decided to reopen the shop, as Cafe Opus. They approached Vice President Dan O'Leary and Director of Auxiliary and Contract Services Bettina Espe, who were both very supportive, and about a year later Opus opened in January 1995.

Before she came to Hamilton, Goldstein lived with her husband in Ann Arbor, Michigan and worked at the University of Michigan Library as a book and microfilm preserver. She restored crumbling books and converted the ones that could not be saved to microfilm. Another part of her job involved damage management. This involved restoring large amounts of badly damaged materials after floods or other natural disasters (or if the sprinkler in the library went off).

Goldstein opened Opus with Larry Bender. Goldstein is much busier with Bender abroad for the semester. She is spending as much as 50 hours a week ordering supplies, stocking, baking and preparing the food and coffee that Opus serves "with a smile" on a daily basis. Goldstein enjoys and appreciates the help of the students that work at Opus. "When we opened," she says, "We wanted it to be a students' place and we needed the help. The students are great; we haven't had a bad experience."

Opus has also been home to musical performances, open mikes, and class readings, which Goldstein loves and wants to continue. "Hopefully we'll have more social stuff going on this semester, like readings and concerts," says Goldstein.

Currently, Goldstein is working with the College to renew "B & G Coffee's" contract, and it looks good. "Every day here is an adventure."

Looking back, Goldstein relates, "This is a great job and I really like doing it. When we started, we didn't know what it would evolve into. It has evolved into something really nice and solid."

Sarah Goldstein is an intriguing fixture on the Hamilton campus. Not only does she serve coffee and good humor to the entire community every day, but she has provided a great hang-out for students, faculty, and staff to get to know one another, enjoy a great cup of coffee and get some good food.

The next time you rush to Opus for that fix to get you through an all-nighter, or just want some good conversation during intermission at Wellin, take a minute to talk to "the lady with the long braid." Now you know that when you say "thank-you" it's for a whole lot more than just that cup of coffee.

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Valentine's Day

We all have someone to love

By Jim O'Shaughnessy '00
A&E EDITOR

Valentine's Day is overplayed, anti-climactic, depressing and even useless. V-Day is a holiday of love, lust, and debaucherous mayhem of sensual completeness. Therefore, a partnerless holiday of this design seems hopelessly forboding. We all look forward to this holiday actually wishing we could just look back. But, when the day is finally on, and the excitement creeps up to the hairs on the back of your neck, endorphins begin swimming in the ocean ripples of your mind, and things just seem O.K.

Now that the anticipation of Valentine's day is no longer a hideous worry, and we have established a level of comfortable excitement with the holiday, let's open the floor to debate.

Is Valentine's Day a holiday of lust, or a holiday of love? Are both those things the same anyway? Is Valentine's Day a capitalist money-making scheme cooked up by a group of medieval prophets who hoped to be devouring the profits in their next reincarnated visit to the Earth as human beings again? Is Valentine's Day another, on a long list of schemes, that humans-- and especially Americans-- have come up with over the years to create a joining of hands in unholy promiscuity?

Love sucks! No, just kidding. Love is unique, as we all are, but love is unique because of the bi-polar influence it has on our mass of emotions. One wrong conversation, whether on the phone or in person, can lead to a week of self-reflection brought on by overanalyzing of past actions.

When Love stands up in a room after a good day or night, you find her as beautiful as Oedipus found his mom (joke!!!). Love inspires you to do anything, confidence without boundaries. Love leads nations to fight greater armies, sends people on journeys around the world for a smile--a lasting reminder of the worth of dedication to another being. An old picture in a wallet reminds us of our beautiful friends, our parents, our brothers and sisters.

Love is not the same as lust. It doesn't always mean you are sexually attracted to someone if you love them. Love is being really happy to see someone, whether you haven't seen them for a while, or if you see them everyday. Waking a friend in the morning, reminded of the bond you two have. Have you ever forgotten to call someone, or haven't seen a best friend or old partner in too long? If you love that person in the purest meaning of the word, and you know that you connect, that you are still boys, then that is love, that is a great friendship.

It is Valentine's Day, and even though it is coming after Friday the 13th,, things look optimistical, cuz we all have someone to love!

Radio host gives speech

PRESS RELEASE

Talk radio personality and Jewish philosopher Dennis Prager will speak on Monday, Feb. 16, at 7:30 pm, in the Hamilton College Chapel. His talk will be based on his most recent book, Happiness is a Serious Problem. The event is free and open to the public.

Named by Los Angeles' influential "Buzz" Magazine as one of the 10 most powerful people in Los Angeles, Prager is well-known for his religion-based commentaries on the meaning of life.

Prager also addresses some of the most challenging political, social, philosophical and religious questions of our time in his quarterly journal, "Ultimate Issues", which reaches more than 20,000 readers worldwide.

He is the author of Why the Jews? The Reason for Anti-Semitism, and co-author of The Nine Questions People Ask About Judaism, the most widely used introduction to Judaism in the world. In Happiness Is a Serious Problem: A Human Nature Repair Manual, Prager provides his readers with the tools they need to make happiness a reality in their lives. He argues that when happiness is treated as seriously as some of life's other tasks, it immediately becomes more intangible, and hence, achievable.

The Los Angeles Times wrote, "Dennis Prager is an amazingly gifted man and charismatic moralist whose mission in life has already been crystallized: to get people obsessed with what's right and wrong."

Prager's visit to Hamilton is sponsored by Hillel, the Office of the President and the Root-Jessup Public Affairs Council.

Week to promote eating disorder awareness

By Jessica Hunt '01
A&E WRITER

February 23 marks the beginning of National Eating Disorders Awareness week, a week long attempt to promote awareness of the recent increase of anorexia, bulimia, and binge eating among college students. Between February 23 and February 27, colleges nationwide, in conjunction with The National Eating Disorders Screening Program(NEDSP), will provide anonymous public outreach and education programs to help those suffering from, at risk for, or who have friends with, eating disorders.

At Hamilton, there will be a series of panel discussions, workshops, and information sessions in which students can educate themselves about the seriousness of anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa, and binge eating disorder. Approximately 20% of college age women have one of these eating disorders.

Eating disorders are illnesses associated with severe body image distortion and an obsession with weight. Terrified of gaining weight, sufferers diet, binge, or binge and purge even if their mental and physical health start to deteriorate.

Even if you do not feel you are suffering from any of these disorders, you probably know someone who is. Left unchecked, eating disorders can kill. Last year, free screenings by the NEDSP were held at over 600 colleges across the country. Individuals were provided with anoymous eating disorder screenings in order to determine whether or not additional evalution and/or assistance would be nessecary. Approximately 27,000 individuals attended.

The NEDSP hopes to help even more people this year who are struggling with anorexia, bulimia, and/or binge eating disorders. Hamilton's Health and Counseling Centers will post a list of upcoming events in next week's paper. Please attend in support of those in the community who are suffering.

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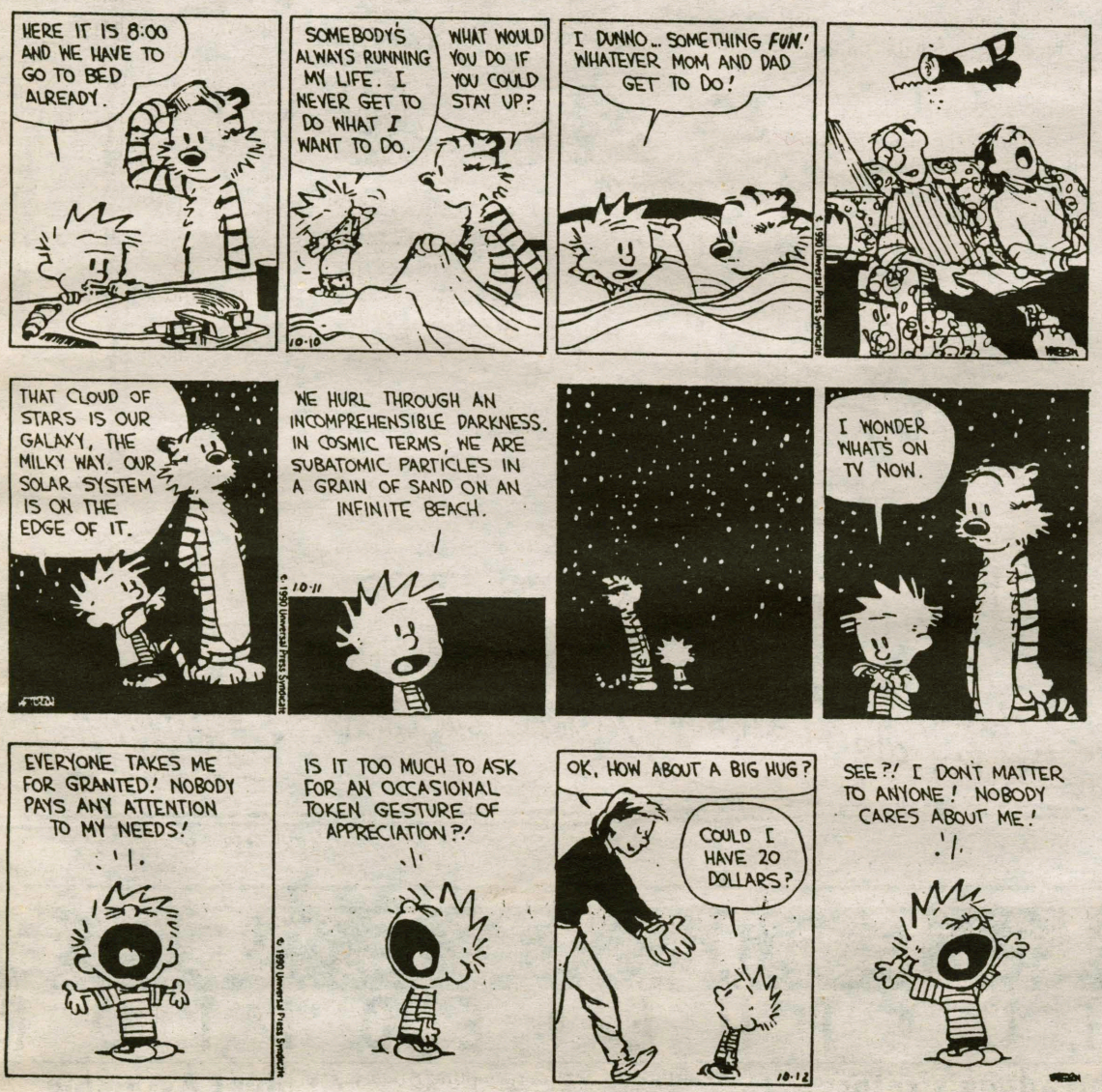
Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson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I DUNNO... SOMETHING FUN! WHATEVER MOM AND DAD GET TO DO!
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THAT CLOUD OF STARS IS OUR GALAXY, THE MILKY WAY. OUR SOLAR SYSTEM IS ON THE EDGE OF IT.
WE HURL THROUGH AN INCOMPREHENSIBLE DARKNESS. IN COSMIC TERMS, WE ARE SUBATOMIC PARTICLES IN A GRAIN OF SAND ON AN INFINITE BEACH.
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I WONDER WHAT'S ON TV NOW.
EVERYONE TAKES ME FOR GRANTED! NOBODY PAYS ANY ATTENTION TO MY NEEDS!
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IS IT TOO MUCH TO ASK FOR AN OCCASIONAL TOKEN GESTURE OF APPRECIATION?!
OK, HOW ABOUT A BIG HUG?
COULD I HAVE 20 DOLLARS?
10-12
SEE?! I DON'T MATTER TO ANYONE! NOBODY CARES ABOUT ME!

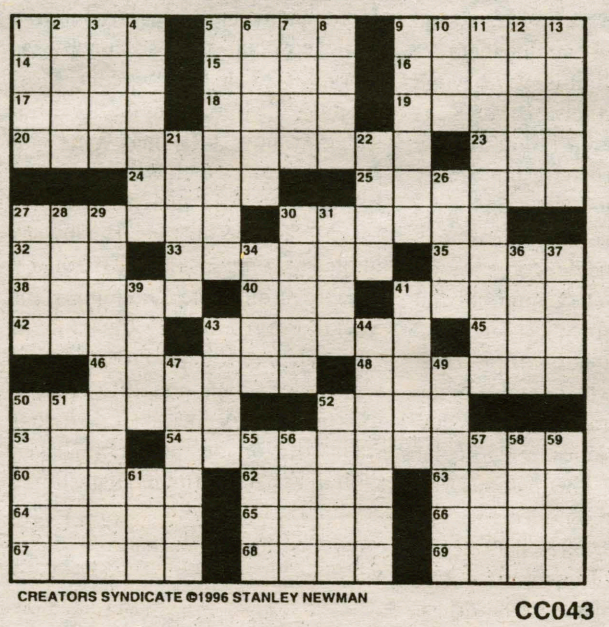
CROSSWORD

Campus Crossword

BED TIME by Bob Lubbers
Edited by Stanley Newman

ACROSS
1 Frolic
5 Volcano flow
9 Prefix for "within"
14 Moa cousin
15 "Oh, sure!"
16 Water duct
17 Top rating
18 Quarterback Starr
19 Dominican Republic neighbor
20 Tennis boo-boo
23 DC lobby
24 Bouncy melody
25 Singer Sheena
27 Fix a shoe
30 Page size
32 Actor Wallach
33 Approximately
35 Filled with fear
38 Script entries
40 God: Lat.
41 Mediterranean island
42 Safecracker
43 Afternoon nap
45 Bled, as dye
46 Triangular sail
48 Loosens forcibly
50 "That's water over __"
52 Uncountable years
53 NFL official
54 Subantarctic bird
60 In reserve
62 Med. school class
63 *The Thin Man* dog
64 Houston gridder
65 Medieval weapon
66 They follow effs
67 Fruit skins
68 Pitcher
69 Humorist Bombeck

DOWN
1 Peruse
2 Melville novel
3 Entrée list
4 Colorado city
5 Defamer
6 Toward the stern
7 Actress Miles
8 Aleutian island
9 Hoffman/Beatty film
10 Teachers' org.
11 World Trade Center, familiarly
12 Braking rocket
13 Suffix for sect
21 Actresses Kedrova and Lee
22 Conduct
26 Headliner
27 Count (on)
28 Writer Wiesel
29 Narrow march formation
30 Elizabeth, e.g.
31 Spanish ones
34 Garfield's pal
36 State: Fr.
37 Lairs
39 Old oath
41 Leslie of *Gigi*
43 Big rig
44 Audio-speaker feature
47 They'll bet
49 Hire
50 Scout group
51 Skater Sonja
52 Quickly
55 Title
56 Chew on, with "at"
57 Employer
58 Gossip tidbit
59 *Discovery* grp.
61 Cartoon unit



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-Tricia Woodward '00

" I don't believe in beer goggles, all alcohol does is make you less embarrassed of your already decrepitly low standards!"
-Jason Osborne '98

"Well, since we live in Root, we have to amuse ourselves with salad dressing and being naked."
-Kristen Daly '01

"When I go to a party, I pick out my top ten and work my way down through the night."
-Anonymous

"Trust me, I'm Texan."
-Brett "The Buffer" Monroe '01

"Ah... naked at last, it's like the difference between boxers and tighty-whities"
-Laura Blanq '00

"I wonder if girls are like deer...if you hit them with your car can you take them home with you?"
-Anonymous WHCL dj

"Intercourse is for dogs and old people."
-Gwen Bueno de Mesquita '00

"No thanks, I'm not hungry...I just want to smoke and drink."
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EDITORIAL

Punchy?

What's up with all this talk about punch in the Op-Ed section lately? Yes, the almighty, all-powerful, evil Administration has cracked down on the consumption of the undefinable beverage at social functions. So what? Why do students care enough to write about it in The Spec?

Some have purported that the freedom to drink punch provides a "tool for teaching responsibility." The support for this claim is that drinking punch will help one to establish his or her tolerance -- to drink responsibly. If learning to drink was a part of the liberal arts education that the College intends to instill in each student, there would surely be yet another course requirement: College Drinking 101, The Fundamentals of Getting Hammered. Since there is no such requirement one may conclude that teaching students how to drink - even if you throw in that good old term, "responsibly," is not included in the Hamilton Course Catalogue's mission statement.

Frankly, the College is responsible to uphold state law; the law that mandates the drinking age at twenty-one years old. Despite this fact there are opportunities to exercise your so called responsibility. It's not as if Hamilton is a dry campus, like some other small liberal arts colleges. The Administration gives the societies a lot of leeway in terms of allowing them to serve their own alcohol and regulate attendance at parties. Much harsher policies could be enacted. For example, social hosts could be required to provide bracelets to those guests eligible to drink, or be forced to hire outside bar services.

Keep in mind that, generally, when the College takes something away, they give something back to appease the masses. With the coming of the Residential Life Decision, the College realized the need for alternative forms of entertainment. The Campus Activities Board has taken flight since the houses were taken away. CAB has worked hard to fill the void in the social scene, and yet many students are still unsatisfied. That is not hard to doubt seeing that only a relatively small number of students involves itself in planning or participating in these non-alcholic activities.

As far as we, the Editorial Board of The Spectator know, punch is not a "real world phenomenon." Where else would one be able to partake in a bluish, Windex-like concoction of God knows what. Ask yourself- "Would I pay to drink punch at a bar?" So, therefore, living lives devoid of punch will not stunt our emotional development into socially responsible adults, nor will it hinder our ability to succeed in the job market. Focus your energies on more important issues. Don't get so caught up in the punch crisis that you miss the first U.S.-won gold medal in the '98 Olympics or the potential beginning of a war with Iraq. The end of punch is not the end of the world.

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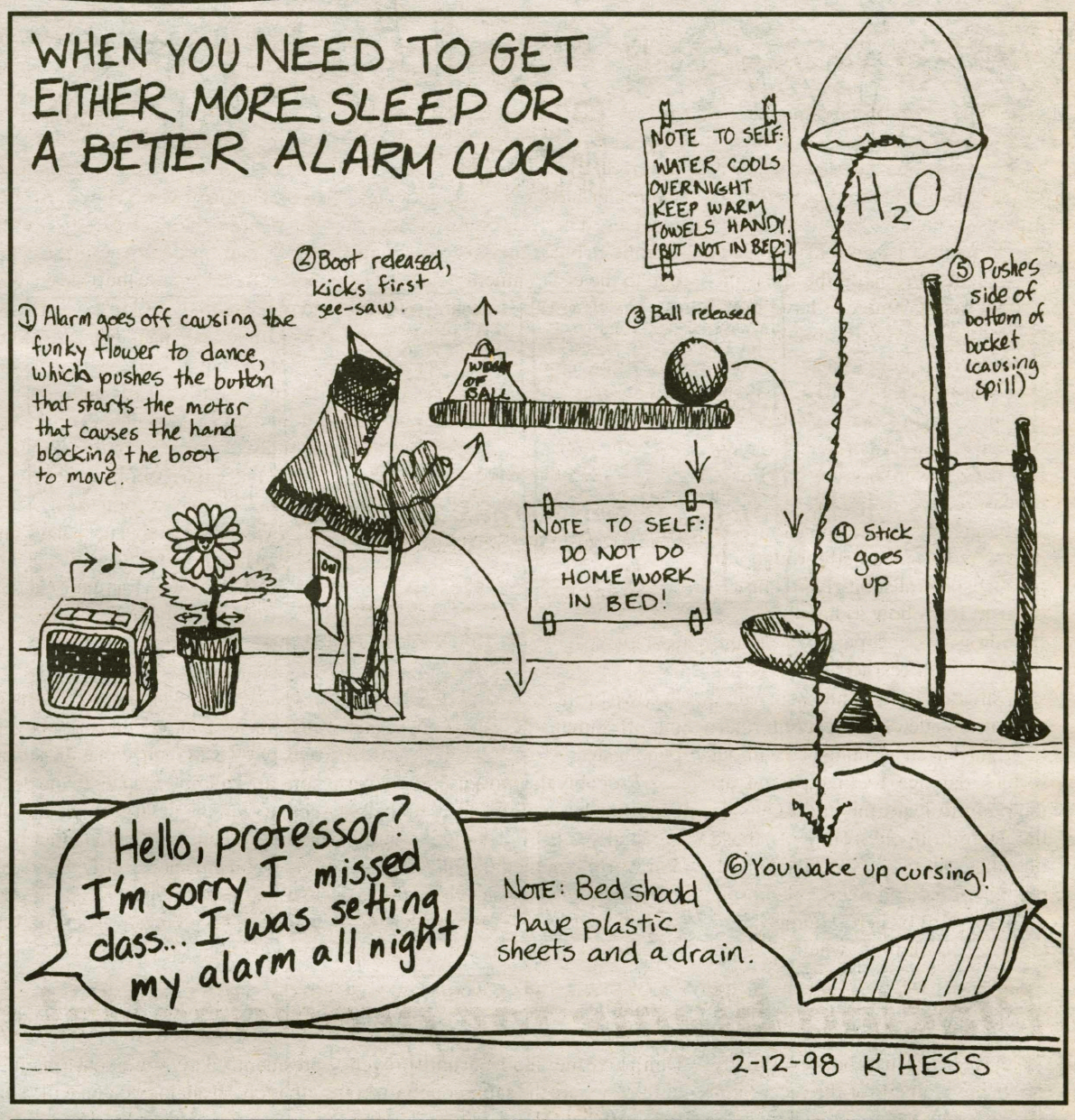

WHEN YOU NEED TO GET EITHER MORE SLEEP OR A BETTER ALARM CLOCK
NOTE TO SELF: WATER COOLS OVERNIGHT KEEP WARM TOWELS HANDY. (BUT NOT IN BED!)
H2O
② Boot released, kicks first see-saw.
① Alarm goes off causing the funky flower to dance, which pushes the button that starts the motor that causes the hand blocking the boot to move.
③ Ball released
WEIGHT OF BALL
⑤ Pushes side of bottom of bucket (causing spill)
NOTE TO SELF: DO NOT DO HOME WORK IN BED!
④ Stick goes up
Hello, professor? I'm sorry I missed class... I was setting my alarm all night
NOTE: Bed should have plastic sheets and a drain.
⑥ You wake up cursing!
2-12-98 K HESS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

An administrator responds to false student claims

To the Editor:

Okay. I've had it. I just can't take it anymore. The level of rumor, myth, misconception, and manipulation of information on this campus is spinning out of control. While both of last week's columns (February 6, 1998) on the Hamilton social life contained some interesting thoughts, their main points were clouded with inaccuracy. My humble suggestion? If you would like *The Spectator* columnists to be taken seriously and contribute to the credibility and quality of the newspaper, please require that they check their facts. For example, where in the world did Matt Dubno get the idea that the Hamilton College administration has banned kegs from the social spaces? In his column, "A Public Disgrace," Mr. Dubno comments that the keg issue seems bizarre and that the reasons for banning them are beyond him. Well, it is way beyond me and most definitely bizarre. Kegs have not been banned. I should know. I approve Social Host Responsibility Forms for student-sponsored events with alcohol. Next time, just ask me. I'll give you the inside scoop. Aaron Healey's February 6 column, "Social Life on a Downward Spiral," includes a reckless manipulation of information. To insinuate that anyone in the College administration made an "indictment that societies, in particular the fraternities on this campus, are using it (punch) to commit date rape," is completely outrageous! I am angered by such a flippant and irresponsible remark. The idea that drugs, especially Rohypnol, could be added to an open container of punch is a very real possibility. We need to accept that reality. To twist that possibility into an accusation that the sponsors of parties in Hamilton social spaces are drugging their guests is ludicrous. The decision to no longer approve liquor for the purpose of making punch involved a numbers of factors and perspectives. It was not a snap decision, but had been discussed for several months. How healthy is it to serve drinks from a lined trash barrel? Who or what prevents someone from adding more liquor, or liquor with a higher alcohol content, to the punch? Is this a risk worth accepting? At how many parties is punch actually served? I looked up the figures from 1995–96 which indicate a total of 184 social events with alcohol were programmed in six College social spaces. Of those 184 events, only 16 were approved for liquor to make punch. In 1996–97, 171 social events with alcohol occurred in five College social spaces. Punch was served at 20 of those events. Most recently, the figures for the 1997 fall semester show 109 social events with alcohol, six of which were approved for liquor to make punch.

Mr. Dubno and Mr. Healey are invited to come speak with me at any time regarding the Guidelines for Social Programming, the student Committee on Social Programming Guidelines, alcohol liability and risk management, or the general student social life on campus. I am most willing to listen to their suggestions, complaints, and philosophies and would be happy to share the facts with them.

Beverly Low
Director of Student Activities

Student Assembly announces changes in the Pub

Letter to the Editor:

Beginning this weekend there will be some changes at the Little Pub. After talking with Betsy Espe, Joe Cappa, and Chad Marshall, some compromises have been reached. On Friday and Saturday nights the Pub will now be open to all members of the Hamilton College community. The Pub will also now observe fire hazard, maximum capacity, and underage drinking guidelines with more detail. Underage drinkers face the possibility of Judicial Board action and the loss of Pub privileges.

It is our sincerest hope that the Little Pub will continue to function as a gathering place for members of our community. In order to preserve that hope, a Pub Committee has been established. This committee will take advice and suggestions from the entire campus community in order to keep the Pub a safe and desirable place to visit. This is the first of many issues to be addressed by the Pub committee. Please contact the Pub committee chairs Andy Cook (x0283, atcook) or Tim Fazio (x0283, tfazio) if you have any questions, concerns, or ideas. We would also like to remind you that the actions of few can take away the privileges of many, so please drink responsibly.

The Student Assembly

We want to hear what you think!

Send Letters to the Editor to spec@hamilton.edu or through campus mail to The Spectator.

Give us more resonsibility; the ability to make decisions

BEN MYERS '00
EXILED SCHOLAR

The goal of any liberal arts institution is to produce a well-rounded person who will be capable of functioning well in all aspects of society. Hamilton has begun to neglect its responsibilities to its students. Probably the most important quality one can have in the outside world is responsibility, which Hamilton is failing to instill.

Responsibility is not only essential in surviving outside Hamilton, but it also is an important ingredient in a person who is going to contribute to and be a respected member of any society. Responsibility can only be learned through practice, one must be given it in order to learn how to handle it. Hamilton has the perfect environment to teach responsibility. It is a safe, structured environment in which mistakes made can be caught, rectified, and if need be, punished without serious damage to that person attempting to learn this trait. Outside the Hamilton environment, these mistakes can be very costly to both the individual and many others surrounding him or her. Attempting to learn responsibility, whether it involves alcohol, work, or even responsibilities to oneself, outside the realm of such a structured environment can have very serious consequences. These risks are present at Hamilton, but reduced exponentially due to the environment here.

As we speak, Hamilton is taking more and more responsibility away from the students here. As a friend of mine put it, "it's just like an extension of prep school." This does seem to be true. The student at Hamilton holds very little responsibility over his or her own life here. Take two examples: the off-campus housing policy, and punchgate.

Probably the most useful device Hamilton has at its disposal for helping students learn to function in the real world is something they are trying to eliminate in search of the almighty dollar; off-campus housing. As soon as there is room, Hamilton will not allow students to live off campus. Living off campus forces students to learn to provide for themselves in many ways. They must cook meals for themselves, go to the laudromat, pay bills, and most importantly make sure they have a way to make it up the hill to class. Living on campus, all your meals are provided, laundry can be done in any of the dorms, bills are all on tuition, and the longest trip to class will be ten minutes at most. Off campus housing is the greatest opportunity for a student at Hamilton to grow into a capable member of society, and if Hamilton has its way, this will not be an option for future classes.

Banning punch is another example of Hamilton making choices for us and, hence, taking away our responsibility. The school has many reasons for banning this tasty beverage, but we all realize that these reasons are simply a facade. In the decision to ban the devil's brew, Hamilton has taken away yet another tool for teaching responsibility. Learning to drink responsibly is a very important part of growing up. The environment in college provides a safe environment in which one can learn his or her limits relatively safely.

NEW ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDES
"LOOKING OUT, SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO"
NO ONE BEHIND YOU!
DON'T YOU THINK I'M A LITTLE OLD FOR THIS?
WATCH OUT! THERE'S A BUMP!
2-12-98 K HESS

There is nothing evil about punch, and having the choice of beer or punch can teach responsibility. Students learn quickly that the punch will cause intoxication far more quickly than beer. If you make the mistake of drinking too much punch at a party, which is exactly the same as drinking too much beer, there are people there who will take care of you. This will not always be the case once we leave Hamilton. Consuming too many punch-like drinks at a bar where you know almost no one is far more dangerous than doing so at a party.

Hamilton is indeed like an extension of prep school. In making our decisons for us, the school is holding our hands through life here. Without allowing us the opportunity to make mistakes in an environment where we can learn and be safe, Hamilton is not teaching us responsibility. It is in fact failing to produce people who can capably function in a society outside school, and in doing so Hamilton is failing in its own mission.

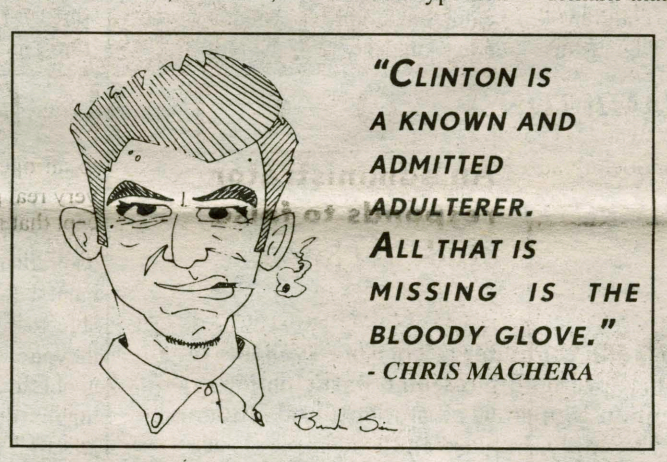
Placing blame for presidential scandal; an application

CHRIS MACHERA '00
SAYS WHO?

I have heard just about everybody being blamed for the recent impropriety of the president: It is the media's fault for oversaturating the news with Monicagate coverage. It is the public's fault for being too nosey. It is Monica's Lewinsky's fault because she was the aggressor in the relationship (my personal favorite). It is Kenneth Starr's fault for overstepping his jurisdiction.

I do not want to take a step into the deep end here, but perhaps it is time that Bill Clinton take responsibility for having an illicit affair with a 21 year old intern. More importantly, perhaps it is time that the American public stop laying down while our president makes us all look like idiots. As of this past week, Bill Clinton's approval rating hit a record 79%. FDR never had a 79% approval rating and all he did was lift the country out of the Great Depression. Either people are not paying attention or they have completely lost their minds. There is no way that they are not paying attention. There simply is no other news these days than the president's affair with Monica Lewinsky.

First, let us get this out of the way: Bill Clinton had some kind of sexual affair with Monica Lewinsky. Don't give me "innocent until proven guilty;" we are the same country who declared that OJ was innocent. After Monica Lewinsky had been relieved of her duties as intern, she is recorded as having visited the White House 39 times. Bill Clinton's lingo when first denying this accusation was that he had "no improper relationship" with her (i.e. he didn't force her to have sex). After realizing he had picked the wrong euphemism, Clinton changed the saying to having "no sexual relationship with her" (i.e oral sex is not a sexual relationship). Authorities have recovered several presents which Clinton gave his young intern including a dress; kind of a weird gift to give an intern. Then there is the fact that Clinton is a known and admitted adulterer. All that is missing is a bloody glove. Most people have taken in these facts, not to mention others, and decided that Clinton is guilty, but they do not care to know his personal affairs and do not feel that it has any bearing on his job as president. Okay, how about a parallel situation, an analogy if you will. This is, of course, fictional and hypothetical: A misguided and ridiculous investigation led by Bev Low (Kenneth Starr) reveals that President Tobin (Clinton) has been having an illicit affair with a twenty one year old student (Lewinsky). A former stoner who skipped out of the Vietnam War, suppose Tobin is also known to have cheated on his wife (though it is known to be a marriage of convenience) and is regarded as a rather untrustworthy fellow. People often remark that he would make a good politician. Although pretty much everyone knows that the president had some kind of sexual relationship with the student, he decides to take the high road by clumsily denying the whole thing. He says that he has more pressing matters than this supposed relationship and plans a war with Williams College (Iraq), in an attempt to deflect attention from his infidelity. Instead of suggesting that perhaps the president should not be having sex with his students, who, by nature of their position, are put in an inferior situation, the student body decides that the whole situation is none of their business. They suggest that Bev Low is simply trying to usurp power and they give Tobin the highest rating that a president has ever received. They blame the Spectator for harping on the story and essentially say that the president can have sex with as many students as he would like, it does not really have any effect on his job.



Some people may suggest that I have, in fact, proved nothing with the above paragraph and, actually, only taken a cheap shot at the administration for treating us like three year olds. Look, I am not saying that Clinton should be impeached and I am not one of these people who think he should be court marshalled for lying to the American people, because he has been doing that for eight years; we reelected him and we deserve it. I want two things. First, I want him to admit to whatever he did. We already know something went on and apparently we don't care, so he might as well fess up. Second, I want the American public to stop celebrating the president's infidelity. You don't have to like him less for cheating on his wife, but liking him more as a president for cheating on his wife is ludicrous. 79%?! The deterioration of the American family happens to be one of the biggest problems in our country. Anybody whose parents are divorced knows that it sucks. Our president does not have to be Mother Theresa, but let's not celebrate his shortcomings. When we approve of his flaws, we approve of our own, and it just reflects poorly on Americans and America.

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The horror that is Bon Appetit

JOE FREEMAN '00
BIG MAN ON CAMPUS

A couple of nights ago, I was sitting in Commons having dinner when the person sitting at the next table over started yelling quite loudly. I looked over to see what was the matter, and was immediately struck by the fact that this person was directing his harsh words towards the food on his tray. Now, I am not sure whether he was angry at the food itself, taking out his anger upon his meal, or simply in need of some psychiatric help. The incident did cause me to focus my attention on what was sitting on my own plate, and after thinking about it for a couple of minutes, I decided that it wouldn't have been surprising if the man at the next table was simply frustrated by the slop that we are all forced to eat.

Hamilton is usually plagued by a gray, monotonous atmosphere. This is caused by many things, including the weather (the past few days aside), the lack of social options, the increasing regulation of student life by the administration, and, of course, the food. Bon Appetit has held the food service contract at Hamilton for several years, longer than any other company to hold it. While they do make attempts at improving their services through student input, and through providing more options at meals, fundamental problems in their service remain.

The largest problem plaguing Bon Appetit is the quality of the food that they purchase. This lack of quality food is most evident around the salad bar. Often, the lettuce is soggy and unappetizing, the tomatoes and onions are old and flavorless, and the more exotic toppings look and taste rather disgusting. Furthermore, there is the issue of croutons. Personally, I don't want to eat a soggy, dressing-soaked salad topped off by everyone's adorable but rather inappropriate friend, the Cheddar Goldfish. This lack in the salad bar area is evidence that Bon Appetit doesn't really want to spend the money necessary to serve high-qualtiy food. In addition, though the dining halls have added new options since Christmas, the quality of the food is shady at best. Does anyone besides me think that the potatoes at the new Potato Bar could double as materials for the renovation of Commons?

Another area that Bon Appetit needs to seriously work on is their employees' committment to service. Now, some of the people who work in the dining halls are kind and professional. Needless to say, Marge is a Hamilton College legend. However, there are also men and women in the dining halls who treat students not as customers, but as spoiled children. A good example of this is the eggs-to-order grill at breakfast. If a Hamilton student walks into a dining hall at 1:55PM on a Saturday morning and finds a long line for eggs, they can be sure that they will be eating a breakfast of cereal and a bagel, for when the clock strikes two, the eggs go away, no matter who is standing there waiting for service. Now think to yourself, "Would this ever happen at a restaurant?" Of course not, because customers mean business and increased profits for the restaurant.

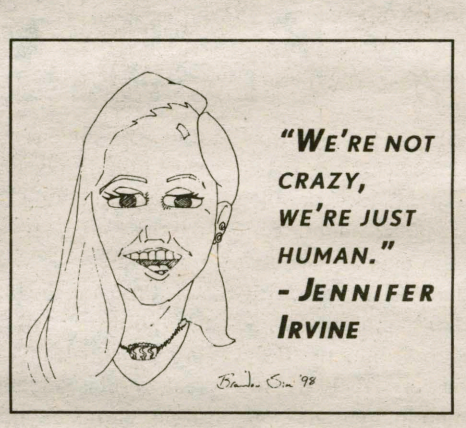
Who can blame Bon Appetit for substandard food and service? They already have our money, and we have no control over whether or not to pay them, for the school mandates that the majority of students get the 21 meal plan. In fact, I'm sure many members of the faculty and administration (few of whom ever eat the dining hall food) choose to blame private societies for the food problem at Hamilton, simply waiting for one of those crazy "frat boys" to slip some Rohypnol into the Italian dressing, thereby wreaking havoc on a large portion of Hamilton College women. The fact remains that only the administrators in Contract Services can exact any kind of change in the dining halls. The food service at Hamilton will never reach the level of some of its peer institutions unless the administration becomes convinced that Bon Appetit does not lead to better health, but simply contributes to the dreary atmosphere of the Hill.

The way of the world

JENN IRVINE '00
ALL ABOUT THAT

Little Jimmy has trouble paying attention in class when it's nice outside, he must have ADD (Attention Deficit Disorder)! I'll write you a prescription." What?!?!

Lately is seems as if doctors and society tend to diagnose or misdiagnose every little quirk as a medical abnormalty. The solution: Drugs, drugs, drugs!!! Chemical, mood-altering substances are the latest "fad" in controlling what were once simply regarded as behavioral traits. Science has now been able to attribute almost every aspect of personality to a certain gene or more than likely, a chemical deficiency in the brain. They are discovering new genetic secrets every day. Are these "problems" really deficiencies? Imperfections? Mental illnesses?!!! We all have behavioral quirks. These quirks are what make us individuals. We're not crazy, we're just human.



It seems as if doctors would like us to believe that virtually everyone suffers from a mild form of mental illness. I'm sorry but every shy person does not suffer from mild autism. Latrell Sprewell is not beset by "intermittent rage disorder." Deadbeat dads are not all victims of "environmental dependency syndrome," unable to focus on their kids unless they are with them. Men who are unable to verbally express their feelings or file their taxes on time do not all suffer from a mild form of ADD. People do not need Prozac if they recently ended a long-term relationship. No wonder we are living in a culture of hypochondriacs.

Deficiencies are often legitimate problems for some people. But they are belittled by the fact that "everybody's doing it." I often wonder if most bouts of depression shouldn't simply be attributed to the gray skies that plague Hamilton.

Many psychiatrists distribute chemical "brain drugs" without treating the causes, merely the symptoms. They become a mental band-aid. Taking a mood altering substance must be coupled with therapy. Too many of us know that drugs are a way of escaping and not solving the problem. Depression becomes further complicated when you realize that you are now dependent on a drug to make you happy. Many users complain that they simply don't have the time to deal with their problems. This is a sign of the culture we live in.

How about some alternate solutions? There are many natural herb substances that heighten the chemicals that you might be legitimately lacking. There are many metabolic enhancers or "brain power herbs," such as Ginseng. Or try Ginko-biloba, a memory enhancer. St. John's wort is a natural anti-depressent. For quick energy use some Yohimbe or Guarana. If you're asthmatic, Ma Huang is a bronchial dialater. Echinichea boosts your immune system

RESEARCH AT HAMILTON

IN THE SCIENCES AND IN MATHEMATICS/COMPUTER SCIENCE

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The following stipends in science, mathematics and computer science are available on a competitive basis to Hamilton students with the goal of promoting research participation under the guidance of Hamilton faculty. The competition is open to all students and students without previous research experience are encouraged to apply. In general, these stipends are $3,000 for 10 weeks beginning in late May or early June. Housing is available at the College at a reasonable cost.

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Stipends from the **Ralph E. Hansmann Science Students Support Fund** support summer research in all sciences and mathematics. Approximately 7-9 stipends may be available.

Stipends for the **Sergei Zlinkoff Foundation** support summer research and are open only to premedical/pre-health professions students. Approximately 3 stipends will be available.

Students interested in applying for these stipends should discuss available opportunities with potential faculty sponsors and decide upon a single project and advisor. Application forms may be obtained from the Biology Department homepage:

http://www.hamilton.edu/academic/bio/download.html

The completed application will include the following:

1. A 1-2 page summary of the proposed project outlining the intended research sufficiently to convey the nature of the project and your understanding of it.

2. A statement of how participation in a summer research program fits into your educational and career goals.

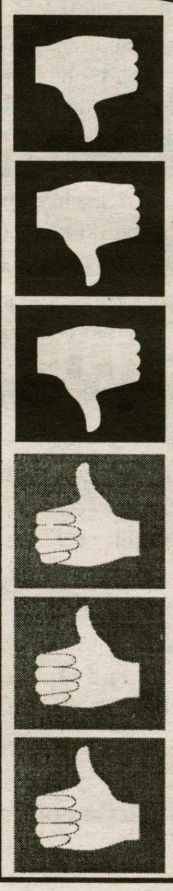
3. A letter of endorsement from your faculty sponsor.

Submit your completed proposal with supporting document to the Office of the Dean of the Faculty by **2 March 1998**. Applications will be evaluated by a faculty panel and awarded based on merit. Notification of awards will be made by the end of March 1998.

Questions concerning the program? Contact David Gapp in Biology (ext. 4256, email: dgapp)

Thumbs Up, Thumbs Down

The Staff



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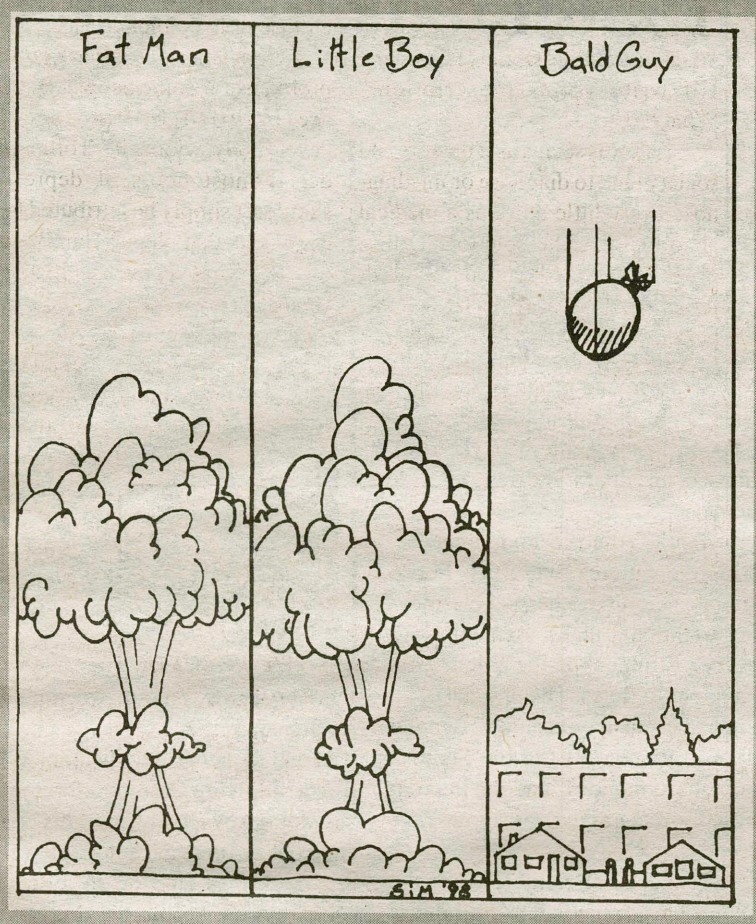

"IS NORTHCOURT NEXT?"

Pavement overrides school potential

MARGO ANDERSON '00
COLORED GIRL

I heard through the grapevine that we're getting a new and longer Martin's Way. Before anything is finalized or one brick gets laid, I thought that I should make a few suggestions to hopefully sway the opinions of the benevolent Trustees and the President of Our Beloved Hamilton College against a new Martin's Way. Instead of using this money for new and potentially unnecessary infrastructure maybe, just maybe, you could use it to make Hamilton academically and socially better.

The school could offer scholarships to excellent Native American students from the surrounding community. You would actually be helping to fulfill one of Samuel Kirkland's unrealized goals for the school to be a place of academic excellence for Native Americans in this area. "The heart of the plan was a school for the Oneida's and the white settlers....In fact few Oneidas came to attend the school and its students were primarily the children of local white settlers" (pg. 3 of the Hamilton College Catalogue). As of now only about one percent of the student body is made up of Native Americans. Aside from that there is always talk about increasing "diversity" on this campus. Oddly enough there are barley any minority professors or students. What are we doing about that? In a world that is "globalizing" we could use as much multiculturalism as possible. As we are often told, living with and speaking to many different people of varying backgrounds is the best way to gain knowledge about others. The trustees should use this money to help the student body grow intellectually and socially.

Or better yet, why don't you keep the money in the school. You could use it to keep tuition and other fees stable. Throughout my time at Hamilton I have heard students of different ethnic backgrounds and socio-economic classes complain about the rise in tuition. My friends consistently gripe about the fact that tuition continually goes up while none of us sees exactly what our money is being used for.

If my globalism and multicultural ideas were too lofty or you feel that you must update infrastructure, I have ideas from friends of mine like Courtney Dane and Nat Warner. Courtney came up with the idea for a building to be used specifically for parties and social events. North Court is dingy and cramped, the events barn is too small and too nice for a real party, (I hate to bring this up) there are no frat houses, and parties in dorms are prohibited. A "party building is both useful and timely, unlike a new Martin's Way. Also a great deal of the sidewalks from South on down to Bundy need to be repaved. Speaking of Bundy, I wouldn't complain if it were renovated like DU or Dunham. As you can tell from this list there are many things that need to be done to improve the school. None of them include a newer, longer Martin's Way.

Very few people dare to dispute the fact that Hamilton is one of the most beautiful campuses on the north coast. The pristine nineteenth century architecture, spacious green quads, and the homey yet modern feel of the events barn and martin's way are things that make our school unique. We should be proud of them. I'm not saying it's wrong to improve Hamilton's infrastructure but there are important issues that need to be discussed before we do it.

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MOVIES IN REVIEW

GREAT EXPECTATIONS B-

COURTESY HOYT'S SANGERTOWN 8
SANGERTOWN SQUARE MALL

BY KATHY HESS '99
A&E WRITER

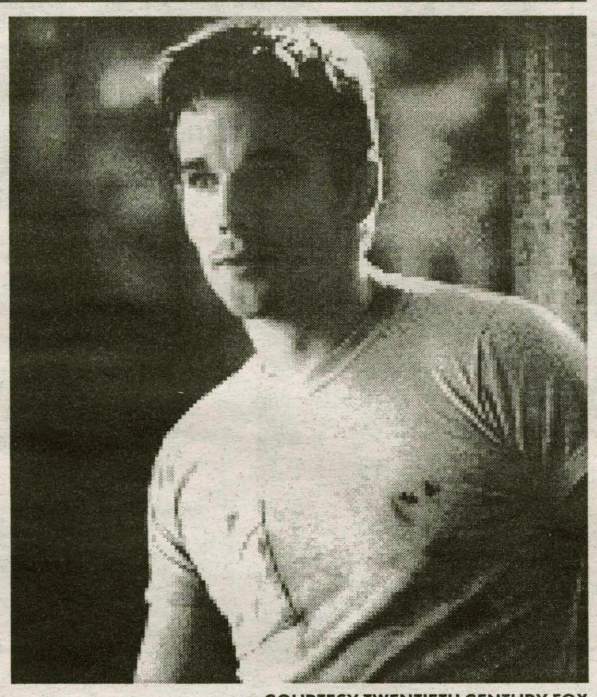
Warning: do not use this movie to write a book report on Dickens. Do use this movie as a very fascinating adaptation of the novel.

Great Expectations is the second liberal version of a movie by director Alfonso Cuaron (*A Little Princess*). A liberal version means that many aspects of the movie have been altered from the book. For example, this film takes place in the 1900s in Florida instead of England, and many of the names have been changed. The most unsuccessful change is that the driving force for the main character in the book, learning who wanted to know who funded his success, is now overpowered by an obsession with a woman. As beautiful as the movie is, the fact that it is based on superficiality takes some of the magic away from the story.

Pip is renamed Finn Bell, a poor boy of a fishing family in Florida. He lives with his sister, Maggie, and her significant other, Joe. Finn's parents are long gone, so Finn spends much of his time drawing fish and other natural creatures. It is during one of these frolics that Finn trips over Lustig (Robert De Niro: *Taxi Driver, Raging Bull*), an escaped criminal, and helps him make an escape attempt. Around this time Finn is sent over to Ms. Dinsmoor's house to play with her niece.

Mrs. Dinsmoor (the awesome Anne Bancroft: *Agnes of God, The Miracle Worker*) is the wealthiest woman in the area; she also happens to be the nuttiest. She was left standing at the altar of her own marriage, and has made it her life's work to take revenge on all men, by making her niece, Estella, irresistible and impossible to love at the same time; she is a woman who will break hearts without having one to be broken.

Estella is the most annoying woman of all time, unfortunately, you have to spend the rest of the movie feeling sorry that she is so beautiful, and has broken so many hearts. A unique villain, because her weapon of choice is a broken Cupid's arrow, piercing the sensitive emotions of unknowing men.



COURTESY TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX

Finn (Ethan Hawke: *Dead Poets Society*) immediately falls madly in love with Estella, and his obsession is what drives his life for the next twenty years. When a benefactor works to make Finn's dream possible, he feels that Ms. Dinsmoor has finally given him an opportunity to win the affection of Estella (Gwyneth Paltrow: *Seven, Hook*). He goes to New York, trading his past with Joe (Chris Cooper: *Lonesome Dove, A Time to Kill*) to become an artist worthy of Estella, who is unfortunately engaged to Walter Plane (Hank Azaria: *Mad About You, The Bird Cage*).

Walter commissions Finn to paint portraits of Estella. The painting sessions serve to ignite Finn's passion. Yes, you get to see a lot of Gwyneth Paltrow, who is still a very, very cold woman.

Estella's only remaining credible characteristic is her Venus-like beauty. She uses people, and is nasty in all other respects, which makes it difficult to feel any sympathy towards her. If he wants to get over his passion for Estella, Finn needs to get a handle on his life. It is a Cinderella story except Cinderella has the personality of a wicked stepsister.

To the credit of the cast, all of the actors do a terrific job. Paltrow plays her role very well, as does Hawke, but it can be assumed that they won their roles simply because they represent aesthetic perfection.

Chris Cooper is very good as Joe, the man who raises Finn when his sister leaves. Because Joe has compassion and a sense of loyalty, his role is a little sappy (in a movie with very little of that). Anne Bancroft is awesome as the bizarre Ms. Dinsmoor. It is fun to watch her dancing around a mansion to old tunes on the record player (you remember those right?).

One highlight of this film is the view you get through Finn of New York City's art world. The costumes and sets make this movie very pleasing to the eye. Most of the movie, and the lesson of the movie, is dark and depressing. It speaks to the lessons one learns while growing up. The parental guardians represented in *Great Expectations* use their children to positively or negatively overcome their past.

Bennett's 'Bothy' blends urban beats, traditions

BY PETER N. GASTON
SPECIAL TO THE SPECTATOR

BUDDHA'S BUZZ

MARTYN BENNETT
BOTHY CULTURE
RYKODISC

★★★½

Not since Enigma's "Sadness, Part 1" has modern electronica been melded with traditional sounds to such perfection. Scottish multi-instrumentalist Martyn Bennett takes the soaring, emotion-laden sounds of Scotland, peppers them with hints of the Middle East, and grounds them in a foundation of trip-hop and drum-n-bass on Bothy Culture (Rykodisc), his second album and his stateside debut.

While ethno-techno predecessors like Enigma and Deep Forest simply recorded other people playing traditional tunes, Bennett plays every instrument on the album from bagpipes to flutes. The product of an intensive music education, Bennett draws influences from the Scottish pub, the symphony, and the internationally-recognized Glasgow rave scene.

"Tongues of Kali" leads of the album and immediately introduces the listener to a wide array of sounds: bells, organ, flutes, thumping bass drums, and garbled, over-sampled Punjabi words. About two minutes in, Bennett initiates traces of a house beat and launches into the track full-force, allowing soloing flutes and cascading keys to transport his audience out of time and space. Hearing this track in a club or on a decent sound system would be almost too much to handle.

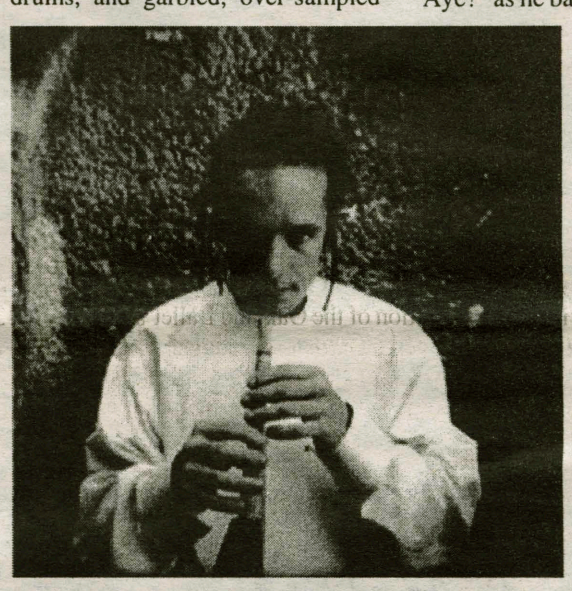


PHOTO COURTESY RYKODISC

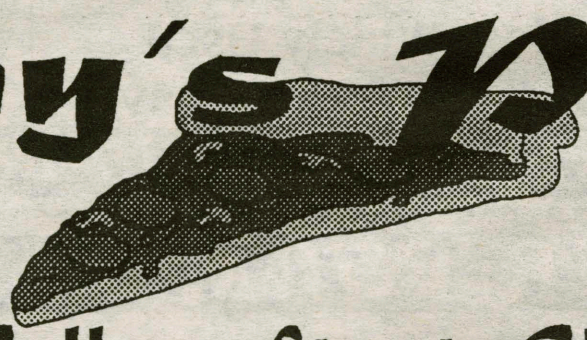
Martyn Bennett weaves rural and urban sounds into urbal bliss.

Bennett minimalizes a bit on "Aye?" as he backs up serene strings with a slow, thumping trip-hop stroll, and carries an authetically Scottish style of nimble violin and brooding tempo on "Shputnik in Glenshiel" to mezmerizing bliss. Other tracks give props to the Arabic instrumentation that influenced a great deal of western music; "Ud the Doudouk" incorporates Turkish lutes with subtly building bass beats, and "4 Notes" builds off Arabic rhythms into violin and basic techno.

It would be easy to equate Bothy Culture with other cheesy, infomercial-spawning albums like Pure Moods and the multitude of Native American-influenced beat albums. Fortunately, Bennett weaves lingering textures from so many varied and intriguing sounds that his album stands out.

Ethereal and truly unique, Bennett displays legitimate raver creed while expressing his passionate approach to traditional music. Bothy Culture is a sonic environment that is hard to forget and even harder

Tony's Pizza



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Oakland Ballet, Pritsker & Heyman to take stage at Schambach

By Chris Machera '00
A&E Writer

COURTESY OAKLAND BALLET

Do you ever get the feeling that you are not having as intellectually fulfilling an experience as you had hoped you would have when you went to college? Do you feel guilty for neglecting to learn anything aside from that which you were required to in your classes? Do you respond with a question when your parents ask you if you have attended any interesting performances at college? Well, the Music at Hamilton Artists Series and The Hamilton Performing Arts Series have provided a way in which you can erase months of cultural neglect by attending just two performances in the next two weeks.

Tonight, (Friday the 13th for those of you who picked up the Spec late), the Music at Hamilton Artists Series presents a performance by the classical musicians Vladimir Pritsker, who plays the violin, and piano player Steven Heyman.

Mr. Heyman, a graduate of Julliard School and a scholarship student of Adele Marcus, serves on the faculty at both Syracuse University as well as our own Hamilton College. He has played throughout the United States, Canada, and Europe and has won top prizes in dozens of international competitions including the Beethoven Competition in Vienna, the Palm Beach International Competition, and the Gina Bachauer Competition in Salt Lake City.

Born in the Soviet Union, Vladimir Pritsker attended the Kharkov Institute of the Arts and, upon graduation, joined the Kharkov State Opera Theatre. After emmigrating to the United States in 1988, Mr. Pritsker joined the Syracuse Sympathy Orchestra and has since performed at the Skaneateles Music Festival, Civic Morning Music, and the Glimmerglass Opera.

The program for their February 13th concert features selections from Beethoven, Bartok, Saint-Saens, Bermal, and Debussy.

The other upcoming performance at the College is a presentation of the Oakland Ballet's The Secret Garden, scheduled for Thursday, February 19th. Director Ronn Guidi will be presenting the first-ever ballet version of the Frances Hodgson Burnett children's classic of the same name. The story is of three children's discovery of a neglected garden which inevitably reunites the children's family members. Set to the chamber and orchestral music of Sir Edward Elgar (1857-1934), Guildi hopes that the ballet will serve to remind people of the importance of living life to its fullest.

Vladimir Pritsker and Steven Heyman's performance, on Friday the 13th, will start at 8:30 in Wellin Hall. Tickets for the concert are $15 for adults and a worthwhile $5 for students. The Secret Garden will be presented on Thursday, February 19th at 8:30 in Wellin Hall. The tickets are also $15 for adults and another worthwhile $5 for students.

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of February 13

Aquarius
(January 21-February 19)
Things have been moving around you so quickly these past few weeks, I hope you have learned from your experiences. Some friends from close to home miss hearing from you, even though you are only across campus. Try and broaden your horizons this weekend. Your lucky medicine is: chicken soup.

Pisces
(February 20-March 20)
Trips to those who love you are positive experiences this week, Pisces. You are a water sign and any inclement weather will not stop your romantic fun this weekend. If you are single, use your flirtatious ways and you will find a Valentine. Your lucky sport is: boxing.

Aries
(March 21-April 20)
Getting ahead in your work has always been your high point, Aries. This trait will be your motto for weeks to come. If you have any romantic notions floating around in your head, act on them. This is the weekend of love, use it while it's here. Your lucky bagel is: cinnamon raisin.

Taurus
(April 21-May 21)
You've spent the week running around, the weekend will bring more of the same. Your creative mind will be put to the test, rise to the challenge. This Valentine's Day should be different than any you've had before. Your lucky Valentine's Day gift is: underwear.

Gemini
(May 22-June 21)
Gemini, your mind works twice as hard as everyone else, it's the twin in you. Your latest mission is ready to begin, go for that special somebody you've got your eye on. It is the ideal time for you to enter the game. Your lucky treat is: a Buffergram.

Cancer
(June 22-July 22)
A romantic Valentine's Day getaway complete with the love of your life, does this sound good to you, Cancer? Well, it's possible. Jupiter has entered your house of love which has made the flames ignite double-time. If you're single this love season, grab anyone you see, you've got the power. Your lucky movie is: *Men in Black.*

Leo
(July 23-August 23)
Stop thinking about your future so much and concentrate on the present. Lately you've been all talk Leo, why don't you find some of that lion courage you've got and use it. Seek and ye shall find! Your lucky restaurant is: Carmella's.

Virgo
(August 24-September 23)
Last week you were given a warning Virgo, time is quickly running out. Push aside any fears and say what's in your heart. Your efforts should be pleasantly rewarded. If you don't act, things may get worse. Your lucky news source is: the *Daily Bull.*

Libra
(September 24-October 23)
Don't let other people control your life, Libra. Lately people have been making strong suggestions about which road you should follow. Try and think for yourself these days, you are the wisest of them all. Your lucky hair color is: red.

Scorpio
(October 24-November 22)
Stop hiding in your room, Scorpio. Throw on some flashy clothes and strut your stuff. You know you've got it in you. All your obligations will be succesful, so treat yourself to some fun. Your lucky show is: *Fat Albert.*

Sagittarius
(November 23-December 21)
The love gods have blessed you with irresistibility, Sagittarius. Now, it is up to you to use this power wisely. Seek out one special person, don't try and have them all. Remember, the gods can take away your gift just as quickly as you got it. Your lucky game is: 7 minutes in heaven.

Capricorn
(December 22-January 20)
You've made it through a tough week, Capricorn. Reward yourself with something sweet. Keep on your toes, trouble lurks just around the corner. However, Valentine's Day will be worry free. Your lucky talent is: ice cream cone making.

ROSS' REVIEW

Video Pick: *Flirting with Disaster*

By Ross White '00
A&E Writer

COURTESY MIRIMAX FILMS

Do you like Ben Stiller? Do you want to see Alan Alda as the LSD godfather instead of a doctor on M.A.S.H? Even if you do not, see this movie anyway. After David O. Russell's shocking debut film, *Spanking the Monkey*, he brings to you another clever comedy that portrays parent-child relationships.

Flirting With Disaster has an outstanding cast led by main characters Ben Stiller, Patricia Arquette and Tea Leoni. Stiller plays a young man who goes in search of his biological parents in order to resolve inner conflict. Meanwhile, his hilarious anal New York foster parents attempt to discourage his quest; and believe me, even I was annoyed by them. Add Patricia Arquette as a sexually frustrated wife and you have a battleground. Finding his parents turns out to be a lot more complicated than he expected.

Along the way the screenplay focuses on desperate situations, mix-ups, and generous helping of sexual comedy. The film portrays a wide variety of stereotypes to the extreme and defiantly ridicules them past recognition. One great aspect of this movie revolves around the appearance of familiar actors playing bizarre roles. The film makes you look at characters in a strikingly different way than in previous roles. How about Lily Tomlin, playing a raging old Hippie?

One negative aspect of this movie is that it tries to be ridiculous comedy as well as serious drama, which never works. Just do not pay attention to cheesy emotional points because the comedy is a lot better. All in all, Flirting With Disaster is a fun filled comedy that makes you realize about how awkward life can be.

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Intramural Sports 1998

Hockey*

"A" League

	Record	PTS	GF	GA
The New Order	4-0-0	8	25	14
Sabotage	4-1-0	8	34	11
Strange Brew	1-2-0	2	8	13
Team Zero	1-3-0	2	11	18
Alpha Delta Phi	0-4-0	0	9	31

"B" League

	Record	PTS	GF	GA
Team Hard Core	6-1-0	12	46	17
Jurassic Pucks	2-0-0	4	8	5
Ice Pirates	2-2-0	4	16	15
The Iceholes	2-2-0	4	11	19
TeamTKE&theCrackheads	1-3-0	2	11	23
Castrovinci's Team	0-5-0	0	11	31

Basketball*

Eastern Conference

"A" League

Alpha Delta Phi	2-6
Browners	6-1
Chi Psi	1-7
Ghetto Style	8-0
Frankophones	1-7

"B" League

Surge	2-4
Elmo's Barrel of Monkeys	2-4
Girth	5-1
Satchmos	4-2
SHAFT	3-3
The Guillotine	5-1
The Mystics	3-3
TKE	0-6

Western Conference

"A" League

The Nasties	5-3
The Pokers	5-2
Stars	5-3
Swistak Farms	4-4
Team Zero	4-4

"B" League

Fightin' Irish	4-2
General Tso's Chicken	3-3
Ghetto Boyz	4-2
I Can't Believe It's Not Buttah	1-5
Miami	6-0
Mulligan	1-5
Type Wack	3-3
Money	6-1

* Scores are as of 2/12/98

HCCC's Perry Nizzi named to head Hamilton soccer program

By Joe Rowbottom '99
Sports Writer

Rome native Perry Nizzi, who coached the Herkimer County Community College men's soccer team to three national championships, has been named head men's soccer coach at Hamilton College.

He succeeds Manfred von Schiller, who retired earlier this fall after 39 years at the helm of the Continental program.

"Perry Nizzi is a proven winner on the field and a class individual in the community," said Hamilton Director of Athletics Tom Murphy.

"His coaching philosophy will fit in well with our students and our program. We're delighted that he has accepted our offer to lead the Hamilton soccer program.

Nizzi said he is excited about the opportunity at Hamilton and the new challenges he will face.

"I feel that I have accomplished everything possible at HCCC, and that I'm ready for new challenges," he said. "I wanted to stay in the area, so this position gives me an opportunity for new growth close to home."

Nizzi guided the HCCC Generals to the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) national championship in 1994, 1995 and 1996. His overall record at HCCC was 291-56-11, including a string of 97 consecutive victories that established a national collegiate record for the longest winning streak in any sport.

PHOTO COURTESY OF C&D

Athletic Director Tom Murphy presents coach Nizzi with his first Hamilton game ball.

Prior to his arrival at HCCC in 1981, the Generals had never had a winning season and had never competed in a regional championship game.

The recipient of a bachelor's degree from the State University of New York at Cortland in 1977, where he was an All-State soccer player, Nizzi received his master's degree in physical education, also from Cortland, in 1980. He was an awarded an associate's degree from Mohawk Valley Community College in 1975.

Nizzi, his wife, Michele, and their two children reside in Frankfort. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Nizzi of Rome.

Coach Nizzi is a 1973 graduate of Rome Free Academy, where he earned high school All America honors.

IM Hoop Playoff Seeds

"A" League

Western Conference	Eastern Conference
1. The Pokers	1. Ghetto Style
2. Stars	2. The Browners
3. Team Zero	3. The Nasties
4. Swistak Farms	4. Alpha Delta Phi

"B" League

Western Conference	Eastern Conference
1. Miami	1. The Guillotine
2. Money	2. Girth
3. Fightin' Irish	3. Satchmos
4. Ghetto Boyz	4. Shaft

*** Dates for games are TBA.**
(1 v. 4, 2 v. 3; winners meet in semi-finals)

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Double triumph for senior swimmers

Both men and women surge to crushing victories

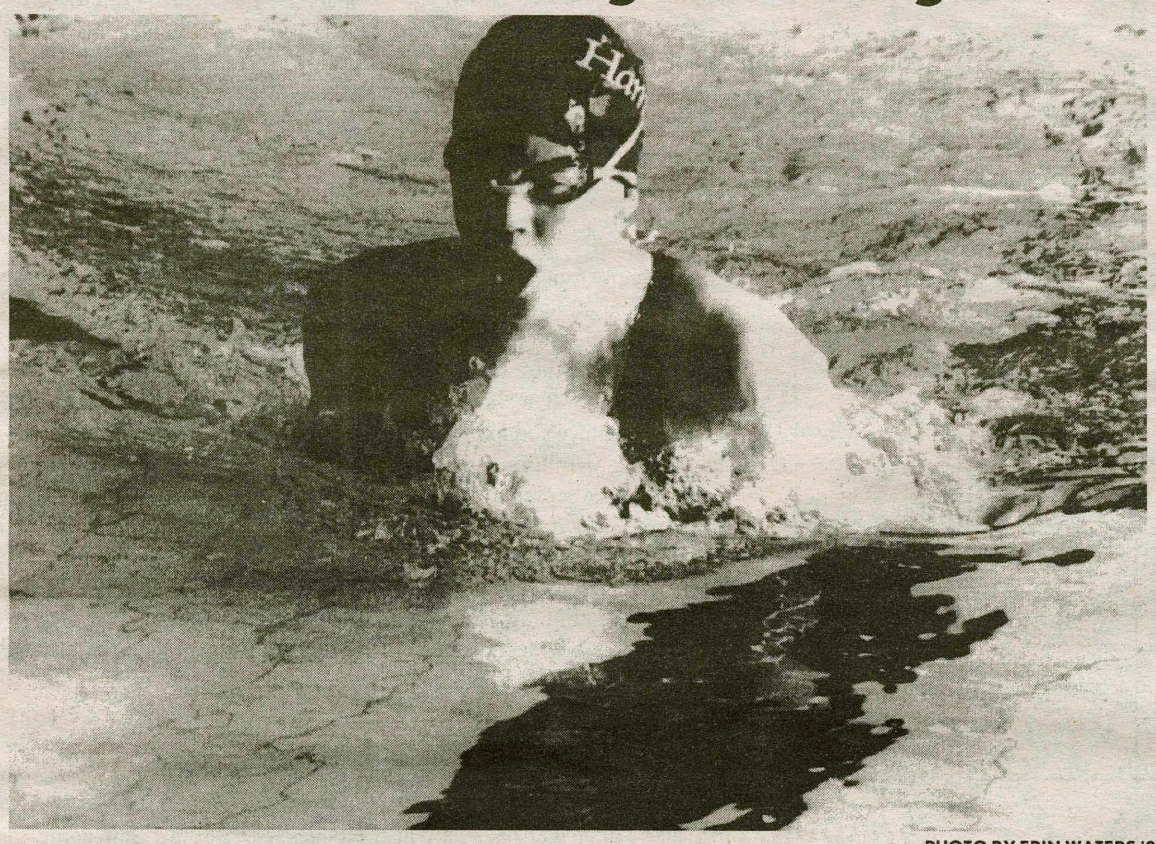

PHOTO BY ERIN WATERS '01

Both the men and the women crushed RPI for the seniors' last home meet.

BY SETH CROSSMAN '01
SPORTS WRITER

In a proud performance the Men and Women's Swim teams both captured victories over RPI in the seniors' last regular meet of the season.

The men won 113-92 and finished with a dual record of 6-1. The women won 116-83 and finished 3-4 for the season. For the men it is all building up for the Championships. "We're working on little things," said Senior Captain Josh Plati. For the women it was "a confidence booster" for the Championships and they are "fired up and ready to go," said Senior Captain Lisa Horner.

At the beginning of the meet the seniors were recognized and honored with a few token words from the juniors. All were given flowers and a hug from their well respected Head Coach David Thompson. Then, the seniors went on to give their final bow by blowing out RPI in the first few events. Instead of running up the score Coach Thompson exhibitioned the last few races so that the score was respectable. "It was a nice break from the tension of close meets we've had," said Thompson.

In a strong display of leadership, Senior Captain Andrew Wintermuth took first in the 400 IM and 100 backstroke. Senior Tommy Liem took first in the 100 fly and helped Plati, Anthony Loeffler '01, and Mike Ogurik '00 to first in the 200 medley relay. Loeffler also captured first in the 50 and 200 freestyle.

In the 100 freestyle, DJ Postles '00 and Liam Smith '00 took first and second respectively. Sean Murphy '01 grabbed second in the 200 freestyle as Dan Bordoni '01 glided to second in the 50 freestyle. Alejandro Gentry '01 finished second behind Wintermuth in the 400 IM.

Scott Carlton '01 continued diving well as he was the high scorer in the 3 meter diving. Competing well in exhibition were Adam Bushnoe '99, Steven Fontaine '01, Mark Graber '01, Paul O'Donnell '01, and Mark Azzolino '01.

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The women completed their season in a two meet win streak as Senior Co-Captains Maura Gorman and Lisa Horner led Holly Brown '00, and Meghan Steed '00 to first in the 200 medley relay while Gorman finished first in the 100 backstroke. Brown continued her fine performance finishing second in the 100 fly while Steed took second in the 200 freestyle.

Erica Ball '01 raced to first in the 100 and 200 freestyle far ahead of RPI. Emily Pietropaolo '01 dominated the 400 IM and finished behind Ball in the 100 freestyle.

Jennifer Kunz '01 continued proving useful after her transfer from UMASS by winning the 50 freestyle and taking second behind Gorman in the 100 backstroke. Amanda Cornagalia '01 used her versatility to take second in the 400 IM.

Emily Coleman '01 lunged to first in the 1 meter diving twenty-four points ahead of second place RPI. Performing well in exhibition for the women were Sarah Schwartz '99, Katie Aiello '99, Sarah Young '98, and Korey O'Malley '01. Even with the win the women felt the season could have ended up better according to Horner, "We didn't finish as well as we could have."

The women will train for two weeks before their State Championship in Union. The men have three weeks until they host the State Championship. "Everything else is just a warmup," said Thompson in reference to the upcoming State Championships.

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Women's hockey drops two over weekend

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utes of the third period. The Continentals were unable to come back from this deficit, and RPI won the game. The RPI team physically dominated the game, with size making a difference. Coach Tullock says, "Throughout the whole game, the team played the best game that I have ever seen them play. We had some great shots on net, and worked well defensively." Putney Haley '01 played well in the goal.

The next day, Hamilton played RIT, and lost 4-1. Amy Williams '99 scored, assisted by Lydia Heenan '99. The game was evenly played, with Hamilton outshooting RIT 35-32. Tullock comments, "We were unable to score in the first period, but came back and scored in the second, while shutting our opponent out.

At the end of the second period, we were only down a goal. RIT scored two goals in the first couple of minutes into the third period, putting the game away." The team had difficulty adjusting to the changes made in the lines a few days previous to the games, although the lines worked well. The current ranking put Middlebury at number one, followed by RPI, RIT and Vermont, with Hamilton coming in at number five.

Men's b-ball hopes for bid

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Schmiegel '99. The man in the middle scored 14 of his game-high 23 points in the first half, but Hamilton still trailed by two at the half, 39-37. Schmiegel also added a game-high 18 rebounds in the game.

The ending of Hamilton's game at Amherst was reminscent of the contest against Tufts in which the men's basketball team led late in the second half, before squandering the lead and eventually the game. The Jumbos made a miraculous half-court shot at the buzzer to defeat the Continentals. But Amherst would not be as fortunate.

With seven seconds left on the clock and the game tied at 72, guard Max Stroman '99 drove to the hoop and was fouled in the lane. Amherst called a timeout to try to freeze Stroman, and for a moment it appeared that the strategy might work. The 6'3 guard from Syracuse missed the first free throw, as the capacity crowd became extrememly noisy. Stroman regained his composure and made the second free throw to put the Continentals ahead by a point, 73-72, with only three seconds remaining. The Lord Jeffs inbounded the ball and threw up a half-court shot that mirrored the one that Tufts had thrown up a week earlier. The desparation shot hit the backboard, but was wide left, as the Continental players and coaches rejoiced.

The game was a real battle of the Titans in which there were 14 lead changes and nine ties. Both Schmiegel and Kevin Thorpe '98 fouled out of the game in the fourth quarter, but the team managed to adjust. Guard Jim McCarthy '01 played well down the stretch proving that he can be a reliable, consistent performer in key situations.

"Jimmy has improved a lot," commented Murphy. "He's been getting better, and I think when teams have used three guards he has been the best matchup for us. He is a good sized guard and got the big rebound against Amherst at the end of the game."

It was imperative that the Continentals defeat the Lord Jeffs, because a day earlier the Continentals had lost a tough game at Trinity. The 81-78 loss had dropped the Continentals to 9-7 and had severely jeopordized their chances of making the NCAA tournament. But since that game they have bounced back with two fabulous wins over two strong opponents in Amherst and Skidmore.

In the loss at Trinity, the Continentals were down 47-36 at the half. Trinity went on a 20-9 run to end the first half, which seemed to drain all the energy out of the Continentals. The Continentals made a run in the second half, and with 14 seconds left, Schmiegel put back a missed shot to cut Trinity's lead to two, 80-78. After a Trinity free throw, Thorpe hoisted a three-point attempt, but it did not drop and the Continentals suffered a disapointing defeat to the Connecticut school.

Tri-captains Thorpe and Schantz both scored 19 points, and Schmiegel led the Continentals with 21 points and 17 rebounds. Schantz added nine rebounds in the loss. Guard Jimmy Driggs '01 continued his impressive play dishing out four assists while continuing to run the Continental offense both smoothly and efficiently.

"He's playing better, and I don't even consider him a freshman anymore and I don't expect him to play like one," responded Murphy when asked about Driggs' consistent play. "I expect him to play like a sophomore, because he has played so many games and has had so much experience this season. He is not making the same mistakes he made earlier in the season and has been making better decisions."

Since their January 27th victory over St. Lawrence, the team has been almost unbeatable. They have amassed a 5-2 record, and the two losses were to Tufts on a last second buzzer beater and the three point loss at Trinity.

One reason for the Continentals' recent success has been the dramatic improvement in free throw shooting. The Continentals have been shooting over 70% from the charity stripe during the last few games. They shot 18-24 from the line at Amherst and then shot 24-31 at Skidmore. The team hosts Wesleyan and Connecticut College this weekend. These two games are crucial to the Continentals' push for the tournan net.

This Week In Hamilton Sports

	Men's Hoops	Women's Hoops	Men's Hockey	Women's Hockey	Men's Squash	Women's Squash	Indoor Track & Field	Swimming
Fri. Feb 13	Wesleyan 7:30 pm	Wesleyan 7:30 pm	UCONN 7 pm			Howe Cup @ Yale TBA		
Sat. Feb 14	Conn. College 3 pm	Conn. College 3 pm	AIC 3 pm	Wesleyan 7 pm	Rochester TBA			
Sun. Feb 15				Conn. College 1 pm				
Mon. Feb 16								
Tues. Feb 17								
Wed. Feb 18				Skidmore 7 pm				Women's Swimming NYSWCAA @ Union 2 pm
Thur. Feb 19								
Fri. Feb 20	Colby 7:30 pm	Colby 7:30 pm	Holy Cross 7 pm					

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Olympic Hockey					
Women's Hockey USA vs. Canada 2/17	USA	USA	USA	USA	USA
Men's Hockey Sweden vs. Canada 2/14	Canada	Canada	Canada	Canada	Canada
Canada vs. USA 2/16	USA	USA	USA	Canada	USA
Russia vs. Finland 2/16	Russia	Russia	Russia	Russia	Finland
NBA					
Houston at LA Lakers 2/15	Rockets	Lakers	Lakers	Rockets	Lakers
Minnesota at Miami 2/17	Heat	Heat	Heat	Heat	Heat
Indiana at Chicago 2/17	Bulls	Bulls	Bulls	Bulls	Pacers
New York at Utah 2/17	Knicks	Knicks	Jazz	Jazz	Jazz
College Basketball					
Kansas at Kansas St. 2/14	Jayhawks	Jayhawks	Jayhawks	Jayhawks	Jayhawks
Wakeforest at Duke 2/14	Blue Devils	Blue Devils	Blue Devils	Blue Devils	Blue Devils
West Virginia at Syracuse 2/14	Mountaineers	Orangemen	Orangemen	Orangemen	Mountaineers
Maryland at North Carolina 2/14	Tarheels	Tarheels	Tarheels	Tarheels	Tarheels

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DOES ANYONE CARE?

Jason Santarcangelo
From The Front Office

About our safety?

In the last year, the athletic department has taken great strides to improve the facilities our athletic teams use for practice and competition. Most recently a new removable hardwood basketball court was put into the fieldhouse which also received a facelift (a new all-purpose floor was put in).

But after my four years of working as a student athletic trainer, one facility has been too often over looked. Time and time again the athletic training room has been left out in the cold. As the New Century Campaign continues (over $40 million has been committed since September 1997), the athletic training room needs to be expanded to service the needs of the community.

In fact, the training room has been forced to deal with cut backs in the past year. They used to maintain a small, but adequate, rehabilitation facility in the space now occupied by the campus safety offices. The reduction in space has forced the training room to take a giant leap backward in providing the highest quality athletic training services to its clients.

Recently, a football player, suffering from serious back injury needed rehabilitation equipment to begin the long difficult task of 'coming back.' Dedicated to his improvement, he was forced to use a specialized upper body aerobic exerciser located in storage behind Sage Rink because there was no room for the bike.

Just last weekend during the Junior Varsity Hockey Tournament, a visiting player suffered a serious knee injury that required immobilization and medical transport to the hospital. While being transported out of the training room, he was nearly dropped by the paramedics who were forced to carry the injured athlete up steep set of stairs (located just outside the training room).

By no means am I blaming the paramedics for the lack of handicapped accessibility to and from the training room. Just image if the paramedics were asked to carry a 275-pound football player up the stairs instead of the 165-pound hockey player?

Please do not be misguided and think the athletic training room is a place where athletes go to get their ankles and wrists taped before competition. What are the roles and functions of the athletic trainer?

The athletic trainer is one of the most important cogs in the complete athletic sports program. Duties consist of prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of injuries and illness as directed by the team physician. It is the doctor's responsibility to diagnose and prescribe; the athletic trainer's duty to recognize injuries and carry out the doctor's orders. The athletic trainer must communicate with the team physician, the coaches, the administration and the athletes.

The responsibilities of the athletic trainer include providing first aid, applying preventative taping and wrapping, making mouthpieces and special injury pads, applying therapeutic modalities and rehabilitating injuries. The athletic trainer is also responsible for planning and supervising dietary regimes and providing dietary analysis and education, aiding in the conditioning of the athlete and reintegrating the athlete into team practices following injury.

When the school renovated Sage Rink in the summer of 1993, the training room received a fresh coat of paint and minor structural changes adding additional storage space. The renovation did little to move Hamilton's athletic training room in line with other top Division III programs.

Hamilton needs to make the training room a priority. A simple renovation to include handicapped accessibility and rehabilitation space would do wonders for the Community which is served by the facility.

In professional sports?

As I watched the American Hockey League All-Star game this past Wednesday, I was not only amazed by the record 106 shots on goal and the 11-10 final but by the courageous effort by the game's mvp.

Just as critics of professional athletes claim the athletes are self-interested and care only about exposure and money another athlete has proved them wrong. **Peter Zezel**, a Vancouver Canuck, not only surprised the league with his attendance at the all-star game (he was recently traded from the Devils to Vancouver) but surprised the hockey world.

At the same time he left New Jersey for Vancouver he received word that his sister's 2 year-old daughter **Jillian Carter** was diagnosed last week with nymphoglastoma, a form of cancer that has spread to her ribs and hips.

Anyone would have excused him from an all-star game to be with a seriously ill family member but Zezel kept his commitment despite the family emergency and his recent trade. It was Zezel's, a 13-year NHL veteran, first appearance in an all-star game.

Zezel dedicated his game-winning goal that he scored while face first on the ice to Jillian. "I write her name on my hockey sticks, and make sure she's always in my thoughts. There's a lot of hope for her, and hopefully, she can come out of it. We're praying for her all the time."

In what was probably Peter Zezel's first and last All-Star game as a professional hockey player, he showed why professional athletes should be role-models. Zezel provided leadership to a younger (and some might argue more talented) group of rising professional players.

He took the bus and truly enjoyed his experience playing for the AHL's Albany River Rats that culminated in a night to be remembered. No one will ever be able to question the desire and heart of a true role model, Peter Zezel.

The Spectator Athlete of the Week

By Peter Ringel '01
Associate Sports Editor

"I'm playing tomorrow, and I don't care what they say," said a defiant Julie Gennuso, *The Spectator* Athlete of the Week, referring to the athletic trainers who have been examining her right knee and are advising her not to play this weekend. "It's not even swollen. . . well, barely swollen."

Julie, a 5'7 freshman, point guard, has the drive and will that coaches dream about. "She has a great work ethic," said co-head coach Don Crist, now in his 12th and final season at Hamilton. "We are very impressed by how much extra time she puts in. Julie goes above and beyond what is expected of her."

> **At Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart, Gennuso was a superstar. She started every game in high school, was a 1,000 point scorer, and received numerous honors.**

Gennuso started feeling pain in her right knee about a month ago. On January 30th when the Continentals played at Bates, the pain increased and Gennuso felt that something might be wrong. "When we played against Trinity and Amherst, it got to the point where I just started limping around," said Gennuso, while in the trainers room receiving treatment for her injured knee. "They've been icing it and I've been receiving muscle stimulation on it as well."

"When we played Amherst their coach was very impressed with Julie," said co-captain Jen Moran '99. "The coach came over and told us how brave and courageous Julie was to go out and play with the pain."

Gennuso suffered a similar injury in high school. She injured her left knee and was forced to undergo arthriscopic knee surgery the summer before her junior year. "I went to rehab all that summer so that I could get back out on the court as soon as possible," she added.

The tendonitis subsided, and she thinks her current injury could be torn cartilage, because the pain she is experiencing is similar to her earlier injury.

Basketball has been her favorite sport since junior high school. She played mostly with guys, because there were not many girls who would go out to the playgrounds and play. Even in her hometown of Kenmore, New York, Gennuso was forced to deal with most of the boys on the courts who did not believe that a girl could play with them. They were wrong. She played exceptionally well on the playground, and was even better in high school.

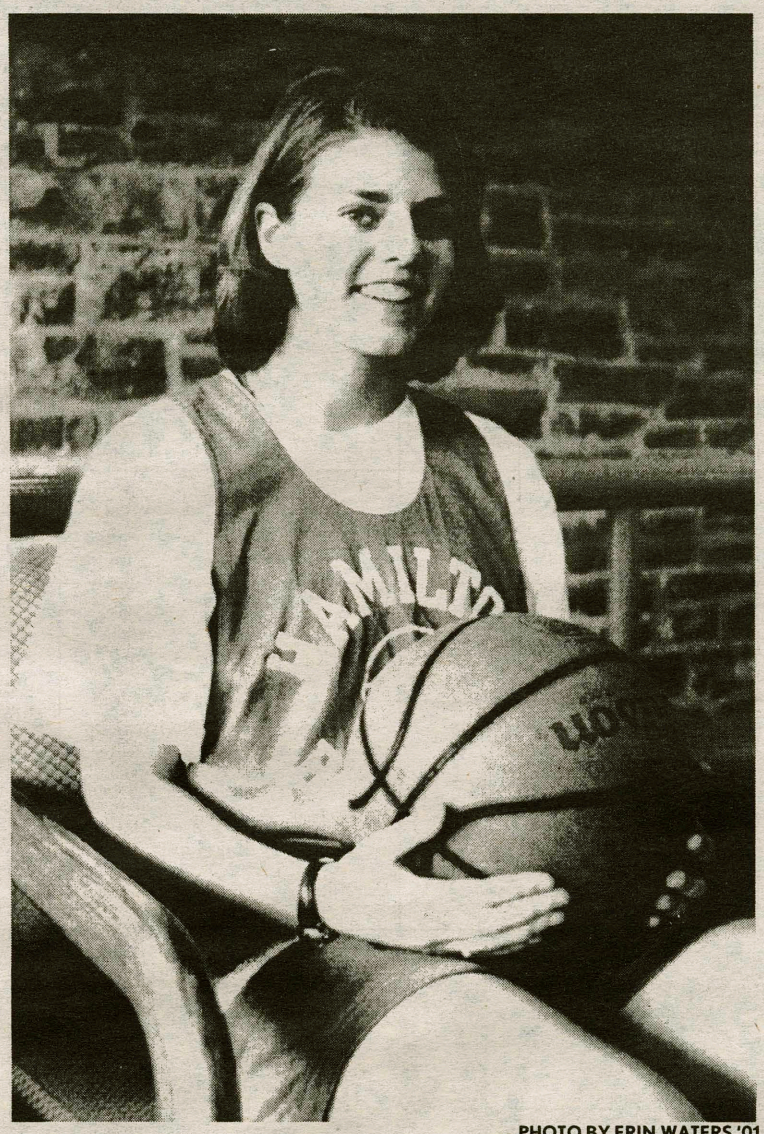

PHOTO BY ERIN WATERS '01
Julie Gennuso played this weekend, despite a swollen knee.

At Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart, Gennuso was a superstar. She started every game in high school, was a 1,000 point scorer, and received numerous honors. While being voted to the second-team All-Western New York, Gennuso was also voted the league's most valuable player and first-team All-Catholic school selection in her senior year. In addition, she played in the Empire State Games, while also playing AAU (Amateur Athletic Union) basketball. Her team traveled during the summer and played against other highly competitive teams around the nation.

It has been a long season for the Continentals, as they have struggled mightily. They have played well, but have lost many close games. "It's not that we don't have the talent or ability to win now," she stated.

"I think one of our best games was against Union. The whole team played well, and we had five players in double figures."

"It has been a learning experience," she added. "The coaches have prepared us well for each game, and they work really hard. They have really taught me a lot. I am really happy playing and practicing with the team. Hopefully we can improve down the stretch and be even stronger next season."

When she is not out on the court, Julie enjoys running, water-skiing, traveling, watching sports, and spending time with her family. She has a close knit family, including three older sisters. However, Julie is the only one of the four siblings who plays basketball.

Julie possesses a rare combination in sports these days. She is the consummate professional, who gives 100% even when she is limping and in excruciating pain.

When asked why she risks further injury by continuing to go out on the court, she responded, "I just love to play basketball."

Women's basketball continues to slump

By Frank Vinci '01
Sports Writer

The problems never stop for the young Women's Continental Basketball team. This past week they met the challenges of Trinity College, Amherst College, and Skidmore College.

Unfortunately, the Lady Continentals lost all three of the matchups. Also, as many of the previous games, injuries took a large toll in the teams momentum and chemistry. The high energy team fell to Trinity 63-57, Amherst pulled away 76-40, and Skidmore showed them their third loss——

On Friday night, the Lady Continentals jumped out to an early lead, 11-4, against a very good Trinity team. It seemed as though they were about to pull off the biggest upset of their season. They were shooting well, and moving the ball well until a couple significant injuries took toll on the offense.

Julie Gennuso '01, one of the key factors in the offense, started the game with a bandaged knee and was in obvious pain. Within a few minutes of the first half, the hardwood was giving her more pain in her knee and she was forced to come out of the game.

Another key to the offense, Ashley Merriman '98, was knocked down after a three point attempt giving her a noticeable pain in her lower back. She did not let her back slow her down, however, as she scored a team high 18 points and 2 steals.

The first half was close throughout and at half time the Continentals were leading by a basket: 27-25. However the obvious pain and inexperience of the Lady Continentals allowed Trinity to take the lead for good.

On Trinity's first two possessions of the second half they dumped in two baskets. Laurel Earls hit the go ahead jump shot with under one minute taken off the clock. Gennuso (6 pts), playing in pain, found a way to jump start the offense of the Continentals scoring on back to back shots as they pulled within two 41-39.

A key steal and basket with five minutes left by Kelly McKeown '00, 13 pts, kept the score close, but not close enough. As time wound down the Lady Continentals were in the doghouse of this close game, as they lost 63-57.

The team will travel to Wesleyan and Connecticut College this weekend to hopefully find their fourth and fifth win of the season.

Men and women's squash winds down with three games on road

By LD Platt'01
Sports Writer

The squash season here at Hamilton College is winding down, with the men only having two dual meets left and the women set to partake in the Howe Cup.

The men's remaining dual matches are both away, with the Colgate match Wednesday the 11th and then Rochester on Valentine's Day, the 14th.

The men lost one and won one over the last week. They lost to Western Ontario 9-0, which was not a surprise since Western Ontario is ranked fifth in the country. However the men did beat Colgate 9-0 last Tuesday, a big win considering the rankings for the national tournament will be out at the beginning of next week.

"It was a confidence booster to have Western Ontario come down here and be willing to play us," stated Coach Bill Austin. The men will travel to the national tournament at Princeton the weekend of the twentieth. Their next two matches largely determine where they are going to be ranked in the national tournament. For obvious reasons, the men's squad is going to attack the competition fiercely in order to secure their spot in the national tournament.

On the women's side, they beat Colgate 7-2 and finished the season at 7-9. This team finished the season one ranking below last year's team. "Which is quite impressive, seeing that there are only four girls with squash experience," exclaimed Coach Austin.

The women finished the season ranked number 21 and found themselves the fifth seed in the C-Flight.

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The seeds are as follows: Connecticut College is the one seed, Tufts is the two seed, Wesleyan is the three seed, and Middlebury is the fourth seed. The Hamilton women have played all four of these teams and have played tough matches in all of them.

They lost to Connecticut College, Middlebury, Wesleyan, and Tufts, but Coach Austin believes they can pull off an upset or two. He stated that in order to do this, "We will have to play well."

The women will begin play in the Howe Cup on Friday at Yale. This tournament has proved to be a difficult landmark on the Continental schedule. The best teams end up competing in this tournament, and this year Wesleyan, Tufts, Connecticut College, and Middlebury will prove more than worthy adversaries for the Lady Continentals squad.

The team will gear up for these final four bouts with tough practice and a final day of rest before the tournament. This gameplan will hopefully deliver the women freshlegged and ready to play today and through the rest of the weekend.

The women will play Wesleyan on Friday at 11:00 AM, Tufts on Saturday at 9:30 AM, Connecticut College at 2:00 PM on Saturday, and wrap up the tournament against Middlebury on Sunday against 10:30 AM.

So this weekend both the men's and women's squash teams will be looking for boosts from their top players and, of course, from cupid.

It should be an exciting weekend of squash and let's hope that our teams can pull off exciting wins. Wish luck especially to the men, who need to win in order to secure their post-season play.

The Spectator SPORTS

Continentals revive playoff chances

Wins over Amhert, Skidmore move club to 11-7

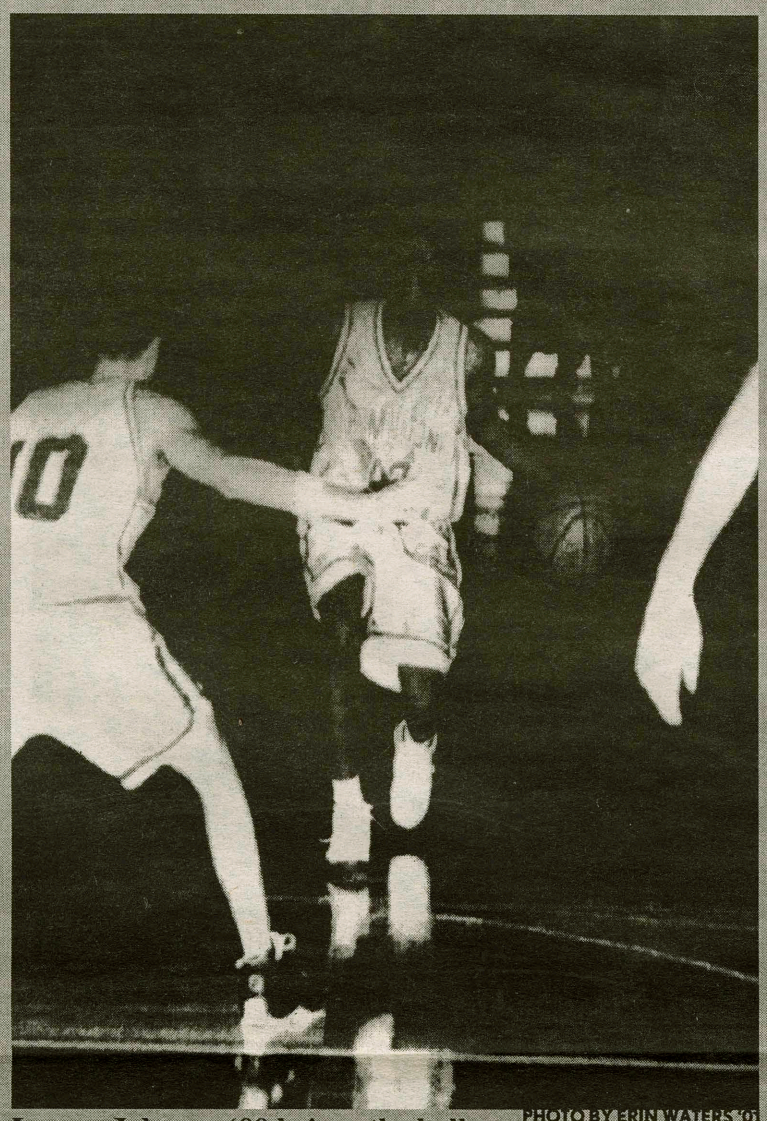
By Peter Ringel '01
Associate Sports Writer

Michael Schantz '99 and Jon Schmiegel '99 have dominated division opponents throughout the last week. Leading 38-33 at the half over Skidmore, the Continentals extended their lead during the second half, and ended up destroying Skidmore 93-78. Schantz was unstoppable scoring 29 points and grabbing 22 rebounds (11 offensive), while the 6'6 Schmiegel lit up the Skidmore defense for 28 points and pulled down 12 rebounds.

"Schantz and Schmiegel couldn't be stopped," said head basketball coach Tom Murphy. "We did a good job of getting both of them the ball. When Jon plays well it helps Michael's game, because teams cannot afford to double and triple team him [Schantz] as much."

Schmiegel was named ECAC/ Amerisuites Division III Basketball Upstate New York Player of the Week for his outstanding play against Hobart, Trinity, and Amherst. He was also honored as the NESCAC Player and Upstate Collegiate Athletic Association (UCAA) co-Player of the Week. Schmiegel had three double-doubles in points and rebounds during a 2-1 week for Hamilton. The accolade does not take into account Schmiegel's tremendous effort against Skidmore on Tuesday night.

"He has matured a lot, because he's been on the court more lately," added coach Murphy when describing Schmiegel's recent offensive outbursts. "He has become more comfortable and that is why he is playing better. Jon has a lot of ability and he needed a few games where he stays consistent and plays great and that is exactly what he's done."



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Lamar Johnson '99 brings the ball up for the Continentals.

Coming off the Trinity loss, the Continentals clearly were underdogs as they traveled up to Massachusetts on Saturday. They led Amherst for most of the first half, due mostly to the spectacular play by center Jon

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One goal loss will haunt Continentals

By Dave Boler '99
Sports Writer

It wasn't the way the Continentals had hoped their winning streak would end. They and their fans were hoping to ride the current winning streak all the way to Connecticut next weekend and have a perfect end to the season.

Andrew Pearsall, a Salem State forward, ended those hopes. With just 41 seconds remaining in the third period last Friday night, Pearsall beat goaltender Scott Grenier '00 to a loose puck in front of the net and flipped it in for the game winner.

> **"David Webb '98 netted a natural hat trick, scoring three goals in the first period. For his efforts this past week, Webb was named ECAC Player of the week.**

In the game Friday, the Continentals came back twice in the first period to tie the game with goals coming from Rob Rigg '99 and Darren Johnston '99. The game then went on for 39 scoreless minutes until Pearsall shocked Hamilton.

The loss not only ended the Continentals' five game winning streak, but it virtually ended any chance of an NCAA tournament bid. Some teams after a game like this put their tails between their legs and pack it in. Some bounce back and finish the season strong. Saturday against Southern Maine, Hamilton showed what they intend to do.

The Continentals proved they weren't packing it in just yet, as they came out and poured in 5 goals in the first period on their way to a 9-3 win. Leading the way for Hamilton was David Webb '98 who netted a natural hat trick, scoring three goals in the first period. For his efforts this past week, Webb was named ECAC Player of the week.

John Manley '99 continued to rack up the points as he assisted on all of Webb's goals and assisted on another to finish with four. Freshmen Sean Smith '01 (2G, 1A) and Vic Cizmarik '01 (1G, 2A) both finished with 3 points, while John Whitwell '98 (2G) and Mark Warcup '00 (1G, 1A) each added 2 points.

The Continentals now stand fifth in the ECAC East with a record of 11-7-2. With only four games remaining, it looks as if Hamilton will be headed for the ECAC Tournament. Should they pick up a few more wins, they'll be assured a home game, and with home record 6-2-1, that something the Cont's are hoping for.

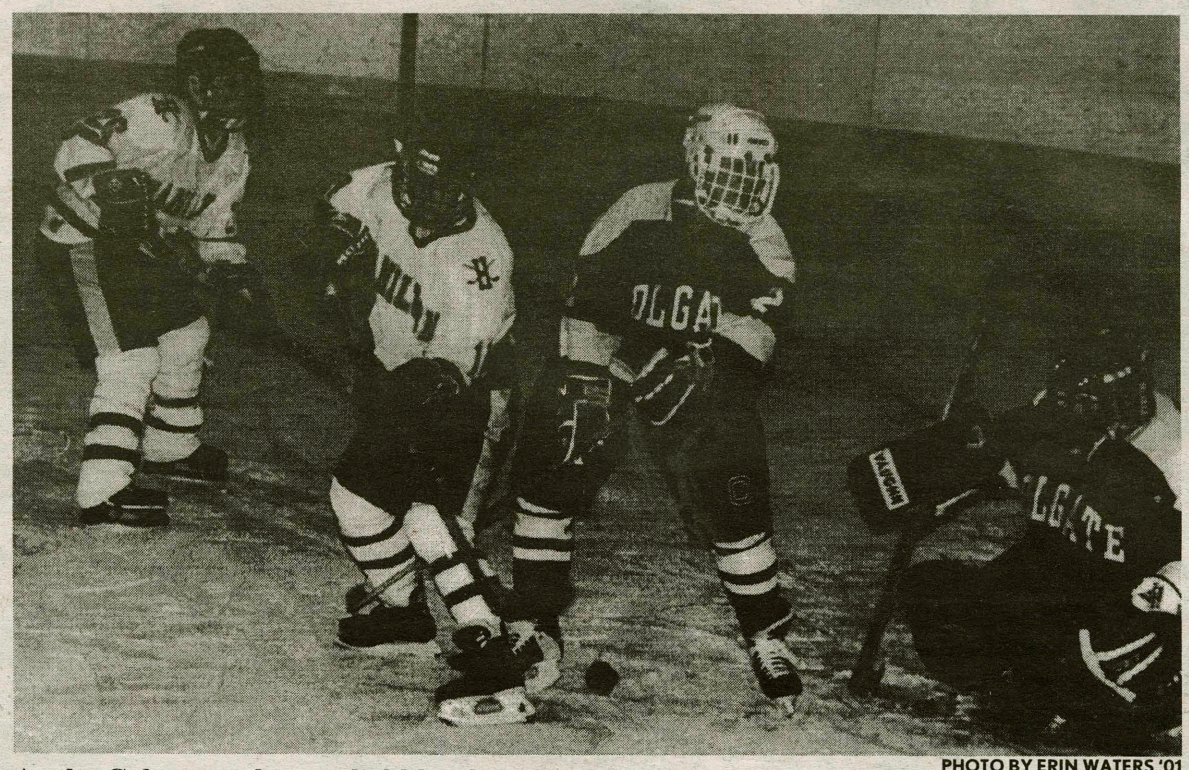
Hamilton will try and continue their success at home this weekend as they make their final homestand. Tonight they'll take on UConn at 7pm and tomorrow they face American International at 3pm.

Lady Continentals drop two on road trip

By Elizabeth Crispino '01
Sports Writer

The Hamilton Womens' Hockey team traveled to RPI and RIT this past weekend to rematch against each team, whom they played earlier in the season. Going into the games with high hopes, the team played hard, but lost both games. Before the weekend, they played Colgate on Wednesday night, and dominated the entire game. Despite outshooting their opponent, they tied 2-2. Deb Elvin '00 and Lauren Spoon '01 both scored, with Megan Stasz '01 assisting. The team struggled defensively, while offensively playing a good game. Coach Tullock comments, "We really should have won this game. We just weren't connecting."

On Saturday, Hamilton had a heartbreaking lost to RPI, 7-3. Lauren Spoon '01 scored with an assist from Lydia Heenan '99, Jenne Atherton '01 had a goal, assisted by Kristen Engster '01, and Amy Williams '99 scored unassisted. The Continentals came into this game confident that they would play well, and at the same level as RPI, who is currently ranked second in the Western Division of the ECAC Alliance.



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As the Colgate netkeeper bobbles the rebound, a keen and sharpeyed Hamilton offense capitalizes. The shot went in and put Hamilton ahead for a short time.

Both teams scored a goal in the first period, keeping the game close from the start. The second period saw the scoring go back and forth between the teams, with Hamilton scoring two goals, followed by RPI with two goals. At the end of the second, however, RPI was able to score, making it 4-3.

Despite coming out fired up, RPI scored two goals in the first ten min-

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